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“Railway Technology Avalanche,” which is at you without regularity but dependently upon the progress in developing railway technologies by Railway Technical Research Institute (RTRI), would in hope be helpful to you in briefly learning what RTRI has just done, is doing, and will do so as to assist railway companies in successfully operating and managing railway service and powerfully lead the railway industry to the much more steady systems in the immediate future. The editor is sure there are some people around you, who would find the publication of “Railway Technology Avalanche” interesting. Therefore,

could you please suggest information on the people including their names, titles as well as regular-mail and e-mail addresses to the editor at www-admin@rtri.or.jp through e-mail so that “Railway Technology Avalanche” can personally be at the people without any difficulty whenever published. Looking forward to being contacted by you on the matter above-mentioned.

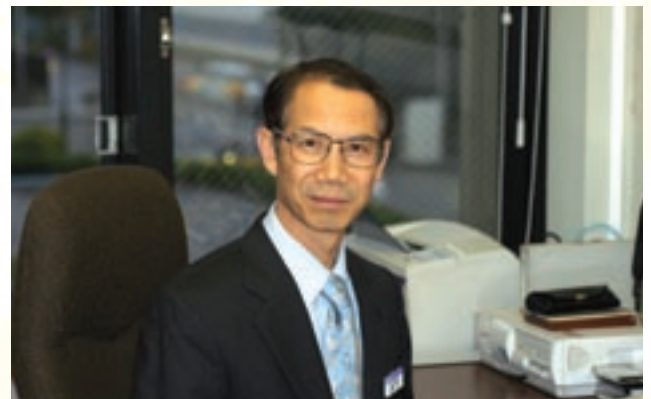
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Foreword

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It is my pleasure to have the third issue of “Railway Technology Avalanche” be at you as a newsletter published by Railway Technical Research Institute. As to me, I was appointed as the current title as of May 1, 2003 following Mr. Ogino, who is the last General Manager at this division, and have been encouraging the successful publication of the newsletter. In any event, I wish you would be satisfied with “Railway Technology Avalanche.”

Well, you may well say, to make railways selected as a transport system by a number of customers, the advantages of railways should be intensified while the disadvantages should be conquered. Technical improvement and development are one of the most important measures for this purpose. As a matter of fact, railway lines naturally stay in conditions dependent upon local circumstances, however, we should make an effort in positively solving the subjects which are shared by a lot of railway organizations at the same time. Therefore, interchange of information between different organizations accelerates technical



progress and brings triumph of railways over other transport systems. I hope “Railway Technology Avalanche,” which is even a sort of brief note, can promote opportunities for the interchange of information.

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