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Foreword

This book, based on studies by Vinod K. Nangia, *The Engineering Societies Commission on Energy, Inc.* (ESCOE), describes materials of construction and materials problems for equipment used in advanced coal conversion systems. The need for cost effective industrial operation is always a prime concern, particularly in this age of energy consciousness. Industry is continually seeking improved materials for more efficient systems. The information presented here is intended to be of use in the design and planning of these systems.

Coal conversion and utilization impose severe demands on construction materials because of high temperature, high pressure, corrosive/erosive, and other hostile environmental factors. Successful economic development of these processes can be achieved only to the extent that working materials can withstand increasingly more aggressive operating conditions.

The book, which reviews present and past work on the behavior of materials in the environments of advanced coal conversion systems, is divided into three parts: atmospheric fluidized bed combustion, coal gasification and liquefaction, and advanced power systems. Advanced power systems include an integrated coal gasifier-molten carbonate fuel cell power plant with a steam turbine/gas turbine bottoming cycle, and a combined cycle power plant using a pressurized fluidized bed coal combustor.

Each part documents data of interest to designers, engineers, metallurgists, etc; identifies materials problem areas; and defines operating conditions in terms of temperature, pressure, and corrosive/erosive environments. Each part also proposes candidate materials of construction based on extrapolation of available data and related experience from other technologies, such as petroleum refining. Finally, areas needing further research and development are set forth.

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