LETTER TO OUR READERS

Dear Environmental Practice Readers,

There is a new editorial office for the Environmental Practice journal at DePaul University that highlights interdisciplinary approaches to environmental issues. Dr. Kelly Tzoumis, Professor and Chair of Public Policy Studies, and Dr. James Montgomery, Associate Professor and Director of Environmental Science Program, both at DePaul University, are the incoming editors-in-chief of Environmental Practice. Their vision for Environmental Practice, which won them the competitive application process for the journal, reflects the intersection of natural and social science which is required for solving environmental problems in the future. They bring a strong commitment to diversifying the journal in order to highlight the increasingly complex issues of the environmental field. They have identified several thematic issues for the journal that reflect interests in environmental problems in urban areas. The first special issue is focused on brownfields redevelopment. Manuscripts with a broad range of issues surrounding this topic are welcome and should be submitted by June 15, 2009 to the email address below. In 2010, another special issue is planned that focuses on sustainability. More details will be provided on that topic in the near future.

Together the editors have decades of experience publishing in the areas of environmental science and environmental public policy. Dr. Tzoumis has served as a Fulbright Distinguished Chair for Environmental Studies and a congressional fellow for former Senator Simon of Illinois. She also worked for several years at the US Department of Energy and at national laboratories. The editors function as a seamless team to build a strong and multidisciplinary editorial office committed to producing

the high quality content readers of *Environmental Practice* have enjoyed; they are also determined to move the journal forward with fresh new scholarly discussions about the environmental field.

Authors interested in submitting manuscripts should address them to the new location of the editorial office. Only electronic manuscripts submitted as MS Word files are accepted.

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