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Preface

This book has been written as part of an ongoing program in hydrogen fuel for surface transportation at the College of Engineering—Center for Environmental Research and Technology (CE-CERT) at the University of California, Riverside. Faculty, students, and staff who are working with new technologies for hydrogen production and hydrogen-fueled vehicles have developed this book as a comprehensive overview, reference, and database on the subject. The book provides background information on the advantages and disadvantages of hydrogen as a fuel for surface transportation, describes the current state of technology of hydrogen-fueled vehicles, and discusses the future requirements of the so-called “hydrogen economy.” We believe that the reprints and introductory material of each chapter will be invaluable to new and experienced researchers in the field.

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