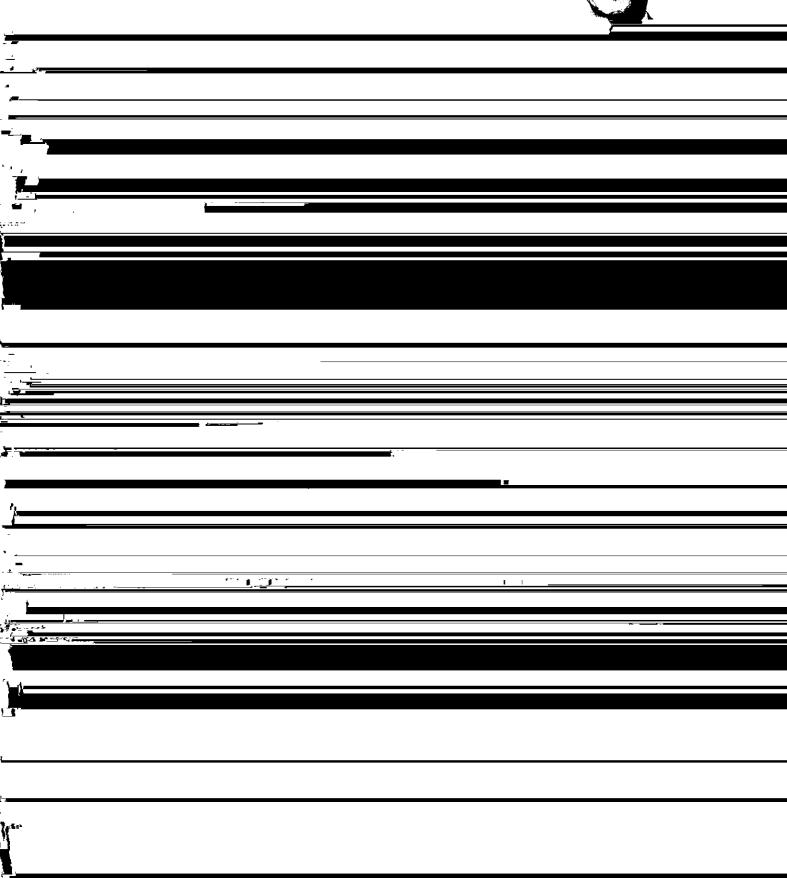
## **FOREWORD**





In this special issue, as described above, we have introduced Kawasaki Steel's most recent technologies in the field of steel plates. We look forward to the comments and suggestions of readers in various fields, and we sincerely request your continuing support and patronage.