Commentaries

These commentaries were originally proposals to the TSQL2 Language Design Committee. They now serve a different purpose: to provide examples of the constructs, motivate the many decisions made during the language design, and compare TSQL2 with the many other language proposals that have been made over the last fifteen years.

It should be emphasized that these commentaries are not part of the TSQL2 language specification *per se*, but rather supplement and elaborate upon it. The language specification proper is the final word on TSQL2.

Also of interest, but not included here, are the Temporal Database Glossary, which defines many of the terms used in the specification, and the consensus Test Suite of Temporal Database Queries. The test suite has been used as an initial evaluation of the TSQL2 design.