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Forging Industry Educational and Research Foundation Elects Directors, Officers at Annual Meeting

Tucson, Arizona -- Four trustees have been elected to Forging Industry Educational and Research Foundation's (FIERF) Board of Trustees for three-year terms. They are:

William Edwards, Manager Metallurgy, Ellwood City Forge-Forging Div., Ellwood City, PA
John Pale, Senior Manager Manufacturing Engineer, American Axle & Mfg. Inc., Detroit, MI
Kyle Rackers, Process Engineer, Scot Forge, Spring Grove, IL
Suzanne Tkach, Owner, Tkach Consulting LLC, Columbus, OH

Algirdas Underys, Technical Director, Finkl Steel, Chicago, IL, was elected to a one year term as President of the Foundation.

Paul Dennis, CFO, Weber Metals, Paramount, CA, was elected as Vice President for the coming year.

Rick Recktenwald, President, Walker Forge Inc. – Clintonville Plant, Clintonville, WI, and **Paul Janicke**, VP of Operations, McInnes Rolled Rings, Erie, PA, to serve on the FIERF Executive Committee with Mr. Underys and Mr. Dennis.

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Established in 1961, Forging Industry Educational and Research Foundation (FIERF) is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. Operating as a supporting organization to the Forging Industry Association, the Foundation's goal is to promote formal education and scientific research in the technologies related to the forging industry.

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