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FORGING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION ELECTS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

ORLANDO, FLORIDA -- Four new directors have been elected to Forging Industry Association's (FIA) Board of Directors for three-year terms. They are:

Kevin Crowley, President & CEO, Forged Products Inc., Houston, TX
Mark Hoosier, President & CEO, Hirschvogel, Inc., Columbus, OH
Robert N. Keeler, VP-Sales-Steel, The Timken Corp., Canton, OH
Ken Mathas, President, Cornell Forge Company, Chicago, IL

Timothy M. Hunter, President and CEO, McInnes Rolled Rings, Erie, PA, was elected President.

Rick J. Creed, President & CEO, Weber Metals, Inc., Paramount, CA, was elected Association Vice President for the coming year.

John D. Wilbur, President, Consolidated Industries, Inc., Cheshire, CT, and **Eduardo Garza T. Junco**, Managing Director, FRISA Aerospace, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico, were elected to the FIA Executive Committee to serve with Hunter and Creed.

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Forging Industry Association, Cleveland, Ohio, is comprised of 116 North American producers of forged metal components, accounting for approximately 70% of the custom forging volume produced annually in North America. Forged metals parts are pressed, pounded or rolled into countless configurations and used for critical applications in the aerospace, automotive, construction, materials handling, ordnance, hand tool, agricultural and industrial equipment industries -- to name a few! In addition, 86 firms supplying equipment, materials, services or supplies to the industry are also members of FIA. The Association, with its predecessor organizations, has served the metal forging industry since 1913.