

NEWS RELEASE

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FORGING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION ELECTS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

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

Patrick Bennet, President, Portland Forge, Portland, IN
Robert R. Bolin, President, Girard Engineering, Inc., Strongsville, OH
Rick J. Creed, President/CEO, Weber Metals, Inc., Paramount, CA
Eduardo Garza T. Junco, Managing Director, Frisa Aerospace, Santa Caterina, N.L., Mexico

Donald C. Larson, President, C.E. Larson & Sons, Inc., Chicago, IL, was elected President.

Timothy M. Hunter, President and CEO, McInnes Rolled Rings, Erie, PA, was elected Association Vice President for the coming year.

Randy Schoenfeldt, CEO, Patriot Forge Co., Brantford, Ontario, Canada, and **John D. Wilbur**, President, Consolidated Industries, Inc., Cheshire, CT, were elected to the FIA Executive Committee to serve with Larson and Hunter.

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Forging Industry Association, Cleveland, Ohio, is comprised of 113 North American producers of forged metal components, accounting for about 68% 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, 84 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.