

## Federal Reserve Blog

### Diemasters Joins Chicago Federal Reserve Bank Manufacturing Roundtable.



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In order to provide a balance of anecdotal information from both large and small manufacturers, Bill Strauss, Senior Economist and Economic Advisor of the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank, with help from the Tooling & Manufacturing Association, established the Manufacturing Roundtable. The group meets quarterly and consists of approximately 20 manufacturers in a broad range of industries. At the roundtable meetings, each company representative reports on business conditions and company metrics during the previous 6 weeks and forecasts for the upcoming 6 weeks. Representing Diemasters are Paul Rimington, CEO, and Virgil DeLay, President.



Paul Rimington and Bill Strauss at a Round Table Meeting