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Mike Castellano Joins St. Louis Fed's Health Care Industry Council

ST. LOUIS – Mike Castellano, chief executive officer of Esse Health, St. Louis, Mo., has been named to the <u>Health Care Industry Council</u> of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

The St. Louis Fed created four District Industry Councils in 2006, each designed to provide the Fed with important feedback regarding economic conditions within a key Eighth District industry sector. The members' observations – along with the economic data and information developed through the Federal Reserve's Beige Book, the St. Louis Fed's Burgundy Books and meetings of the Reserve Bank's boards of directors – help ensure that conditions of Main Street America are represented in monetary policy deliberations in Washington.

Each council is based in one of four of the Reserve Bank's offices: Memphis (transportation), St. Louis (real estate), Little Rock (agribusiness) and Louisville (health care). The councils meet twice a year.