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## Welcome To Our Newsletter!

On behalf of the Manufacturing & Distribution (M&D) Practice Group, welcome to the June edition of our quarterly newsletter! This issue focuses on the Aerospace industry, with additional general-interest articles that affect both individual industries and the entire M&D sector. We have also provided information on several of our current surveys and upcoming events and webcasts. As always, we hope that you will find these items interesting and of value.

- Kathryn A. Byrne, Partner, M&D Practice Leader

### SECTOR HIGHLIGHT: AEROSPACE



#### Beyond Production Increases: A Look into the Future of Commercial Aviation

By Jason Slivka

Although current process improvements will help counter competition in the near term, suppliers also must consider making investments in future innovations to ensure sustainable growth.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read full article

Look out for *Soaring Above the Clouds: A Supply Chain Game*, a survey of aerospace suppliers completed by WeiserMazars and Mazars, which will take flight in July. This publication will focus on the strategies implemented by aerospace suppliers in responding to the challenges posed by growing production rates and give you, the reader, the opportunity to benchmark yourself with these practices.

### FEATURED ARTICLES

## Consumer Products

Surging Fulfillment Costs for Multichannel Retailers

By Heather Goldstein

Consumer order fulfillment incurs process costs including product warehouse storage, shipment and more. Click [here](#) to read article.

A Home Lighting Products Company Reduces Inventory and Compresses the Supply Chain  
By Jeffrey Cascini, Kerry Frey and Rich Dregne

A prominent home furnishings company faced a nice problem. The good news was that its business was growing rapidly, thanks to increasing sales to current customers and an attractive new contract with a major retailer. Click [here](#) to read article.

## Food & Beverage

Announcing: 2016 U.S. Food & Beverage Industry Study Results

By Louis J. Biscotti

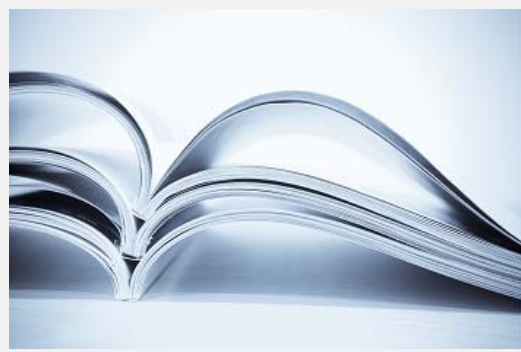
WeiserMazars's results from the 2016 U.S. Food & Beverage Industry Study were just released. Click [here](#) to read article.

## Industrials

The Manufacturing Skills Gap and the Challenge of Public Perception

By Jeremy Rice

The struggle continues for manufacturers to find the skilled labor they need to grow, compete, and thrive in today's U.S. manufacturing economy. Click [here](#) to read article.



## Manufacturing & Distribution

The Circular Economy, Can it Transform Manufacturing in the US?

By Robert K. Wilson

Europe is moving toward adopting and implementing a new economic model known as a Circular Economy (CE). Click [here](#) to read article.

## General

The Paris Agreement on Climate and Emissions Control

By Jerome Devillers

"2015 Paris Agreement (COP21)", held at the Consulate General of France in New York, on April 25, 2016, featured keynote speakers Christian Gollier and Frank J. Convery. Click [here](#) to read article.

## FEATURED EVENTS

### American Water Works Association – ACE16 Annual Conference & Exposition

June 19-22, 2016

Chicago, IL

Our Water team will be attending ACE 16. We're excited to connect with water utility leaders, the regulatory community, and manufacturers to focus on innovation within the water sector.

### QuickBooks® Tips and Tricks

June 23, 2016

Edison, NJ

QuickBooks® is the most popular and widely used accounting software solution for small to mid-size businesses. In this workshop, WeiserMazars' Sheila



## Magic

August 15-17, 2016

Las Vegas, NV

Our Consumer Products team will be attending the annual Magic show. We look forward to

Grice will review the different QuickBooks® versions currently on the market and provide tips and tricks for using QuickBooks® more efficiently. Click [here](#) to learn more and register now for this event.

connecting with you at the largest fashion marketplace and viewing the latest trends in apparel, footwear and accessories.

## FEATURED SURVEYS

### WeiserMazars' U.S. Food & Beverage Industry Survey

WeiserMazars LLP is pleased to announce the results of the 2016 Food & Beverage Industry Study. The survey was conducted to identify and examine current practices and key trends that have the most impact on the Food & Beverage Industry and its business operations. Click [here](#) to read the full survey results report.



## FEATURED WEBCASTS

### WeiserMazars 2016 U.S. Food & Beverage Industry Study: Taking a Deeper Look

June 29, 2016

Speakers: Lou Biscotti, Partner, WeiserMazars LLP and Brian Todd, CEO, The Food Institute. Click [here](#) to register.

### Consumer Products

August 3, 2016

Save the Date - Details to Follow.

### Revenue Recognition and Lease Accounting

Summer/Fall 2016

Save the Date - Details to Follow



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