



Matt Needy

Vice President
Operations

Matt Needy is vice president of Operations for Newport News Shipbuilding, a division of Huntington Ingalls Industries. Named to this position in 2017, he is responsible for all trade, manufacturing, material logistics and facilities operations. This responsibility includes streamlining processes and maximizing efficiencies across the shipbuilding value stream, overseeing extensive capital improvements to the company's more than 550-acre campus, and preparing the manufacturing and production workforce for the future as NNS transitions to a digital shipbuilding environment.



He began his shipbuilding career in 1987 as an engineering co-op and was hired in 1991 as a full time engineer on the *Seawolf*-Class Submarine Program. Since then, Needy has served in positions of increasing responsibility including manager of Systems Engineering, director of Process Improvement and Strategy, director of Corporate Business Operations, director of Component Fabrication and Assembly, and director of the *Virginia*-Class Submarine Program. Most recently, he served as vice president of the *Virginia*-Class Submarine Program and Fleet Services, where he was responsible for all aspects of the VCS Construction Program, as well as submarine fleet maintenance in Newport News and fleet support activities conducted worldwide.

Needy earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Clemson University. He is active in the community through his involvement as an executive board member for the Boys and Girls Club of the Virginia Peninsula and the Peninsula Metropolitan YMCA. He also serves on Peninsula Catholic High School's leadership board.

About Newport News Shipbuilding:

Newport News Shipbuilding (NNS), a division of Huntington Ingalls Industries, is the nation's sole designer, builder and refueler of nuclear-powered aircraft carriers and one of only two shipyards capable of designing and building nuclear-powered submarines. NNS also provides fleet services for naval ships and recently expanded its nuclear and manufacturing expertise into Department of Energy and alternative energy business ventures. Headquartered in Newport News, Virginia, the shipyard's vast facilities span more than 550 acres along two miles of waterfront on the historic James River. It is the largest industrial employer in Virginia, employing more than 23,000 people, many of whom are third and fourth generation shipbuilders. For more information, please visit www.huntingtoningalls.com.