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Bill Smith is vice president of Fleet Support Programs for Newport News Shipbuilding, a division of Huntington Ingalls Industries (HII), located in Newport News, Va. Named to this position in 2017, he is responsible for all aspects of submarine and aircraft carrier fleet support, including *Gerald R. Ford*-class fleet support work.



Smith began his shipbuilding career in 1984 as a sheet metal apprentice. Since then, he has held numerous positions of increasing responsibility, including piping supervisor for *Nimitz*-Class Aircraft Carriers and engineering manager for *Ford*-Class Aircraft Carriers. He also served as director of Aircraft Carrier Engineering and director of the Reactor Plant Planning Yard, Propulsion Plant Engineering Activity and Standard Navy Valve Yard. Prior to his current position, Smith served as program director for Aircraft Carrier Fleet Support.

Smith graduated from The Apprentice School in 1988 and earned his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Old Dominion University. Smith currently serves on the Ship Repair Association Boards for Virginia, Puget Sound and San Diego. He is also a member of The Apprentice School Alumni Association.

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.