



**Newport News
Shipbuilding**

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Dear Shipbuilders,

We have just confirmed that one of our fellow shipbuilders in Newport News has tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. The individual self-reported to us today, following a positive diagnosis over the weekend. We appreciate that this shipbuilder put the health and welfare of their teammates first by alerting their supervisor as soon as they tested positive. This allowed us to execute our prepared plan as soon as we were notified.

We also learned last night that an Ingalls shipbuilder working in the Pascagoula facility has tested positive.

I ask you to join me in keeping these shipbuilders, their families and co-workers in your thoughts and prayers.

In accordance with privacy laws, we will not be releasing the name of this employee. What we are able to share is as follows:

- The individual works in Building 600, on the second floor.
- The individual has not been on company property since March 16.
- The individual is actively recovering and remains in quarantine.
- Our leadership team has met with the employees who work near the individual or who came into close contact with the individual. Those employees are being advised to call our clinic for additional guidance.
- We have been actively cleaning the entire shipyard, including Building 600. We are increasing the frequency of sanitizing high-touch points throughout Building 600 with additional emphasis on wiping down bathrooms, railings, vending machines and elevators in immediate proximity to the employee's workspace. The increased frequency will continue for a minimum of seven days. We will also ensure additional cleaning supplies are available in the building.
- We will be restricting the communal eating areas in Building 600.

I will be following up with additional communications later this evening, but wanted to get this information to you immediately, as I committed I would. I also ask that you continue to be safe, be patient and be kind. We are all in this together, and we are all doing the best we can in these unprecedented times. I remain committed to doing my part by putting you first with every decision we make.

Respectfully,

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