

New Deputy Commander for the Supervision of Shipbuilding, Conversion, and Repair Established



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WASHINGTON – In accordance with the Fiscal 2022 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) established a new position, Deputy Commander for the Supervision of Shipbuilding, Conversion, and Repair (SUPSHIP).

Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition, Frederick J. Stefany, designated that the Senior Executive Service (SES) member who serves as the NAVSEA's Executive Director for Industrial Operations (NAVSEA 04B) will also serve as the Deputy Commander for SUPSHIPS. Ms. Karen M. Davis now serves as the first dual-hatted Deputy Commander for SUPSHIPS and NAVSEA 04 Executive Director.

"This new position elevates supervisor of shipbuilding by having an SES serve as the conduit between the supervisors and the NAVSEA Commander," said Vice Adm. Bill Galinis, NAVSEA commander. "This change helps ensure NAVSEA is better focused on delivering ships to the Fleet on time."

The responsibilities of the new deputy commander will include oversight of the independent administration and management of the execution of the Department of Defense contracts awarded to commercial entities for shipbuilding, conversion, and repair at the facilities of such entities; oversight of the designated contract administration office of the department responsible for performing contract administration services for such contracts; and enforcement of requirements of such contracts to ensure satisfaction of all contractual obligations.

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