

Granite State Manufacturing Secures Virginia Class Submarine Component Contract



Leading Manchester, NH Based Firm contracts with UTC Aerospace Systems to Provide Low Pressure Oxygen Technology



Virginia-class attack submarine Mississippi (SSN 782)

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Manchester, NH June 8, 2015 Granite State Manufacturing (GSM), an Allard Nazarian Group (ANG) Company and a leading concept-to-product defense manufacturing solutions provider, has been selected to deliver Advanced Integrated Low Pressure Electrolyzer (AILPE) Frame Assemblies for the Block IV Virginia Class Submarine program. GSM will work with UTC Aerospace Systems, a unit of United Technologies Corp. (NYSE:UTX) to build the AILPE frame assemblies.

GSM was awarded the AILPE contract from UTC Aerospace Systems and has already begun production. GSM will deliver one frame assembly unit every six months through 2018. GSM produces multiple other systems for the Block IV Virginia Class Submarine program and possesses the unique capability to provide these and other systems in future opportunities such as Block V Virginia Class Submarine

program and the retrofitting of the current U.S. submarine fleet.

ANG Chairman and CEO John Allard said, "GSM is honored to continue our work in support of the U.S. Navy and is pleased to work with UTC Aerospace Systems to provide these innovative and life-critical unit assemblies. We look forward to completing these components for the Block IV Virginia Class Submarine and working together to develop solutions for UTC Aerospace Systems and the submarine fleet."

"UTC Aerospace Systems has a long relationship with the U.S. Navy supplying environmental and life support equipment. The Virginia Class Submarine Program is a critical program for the U.S. Navy and we are proud to be a part of it. Working with Granite State is a big step in our goal of lowering the overall cost of hardware for all of our

customers and we look forward to working with Granite State supplying critical, highly reliable, and affordable Systems to the U.S. Navy," said Carl Nunziato, General Manager Maritime Systems.

The Block IV Virginia Class Submarine is a nuclear-powered, fast attack submarine designed for a wide variety of naval missions. They are designed and engineered to need fewer shipyard maintenance availabilities, allowing extended full-length deployments at sea. GSM has provided several components to the Block IV.

For more than 75 years, GSM has been providing integrated manufacturing services to some of the top companies in the world. As part of the company's expansion they are developing, manufacturing, and marketing new products including Equipos ZeroG® mechanical arms and CargoAlert™ security products.