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## **NAVSEA Restores NUWC Newport Contracting Authority**

NEWPORT, R.I. — The Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) fully restored the delegated warrant and contracting authority at Naval Undersea Warfare Center (NUWC), Newport, Oct. 26.

This restoration was based on multiple actions NUWC Newport took to strengthen acquisition processes and to ensure proper government surveillance and oversight in contracting measures.

They have taken command leadership action to elevate the contracting branch to a department level position that reports directly to the commanding officer and technical director. Senior leadership is participating in the validation of service requirements and all NUWC Newport contracting officer's representatives have been trained and recertified based on the latest training developed by the Defense Acquisition University and NAVSEA. A credible system of checks and balances and effective management oversight controls has been developed to ensure proper funds management.

NAVSEA is confident the measures that have been implemented have restored integrity and the public trust in NUWC Newport's contracting processes.

NUWC Newport is one of two divisions of the Naval Undersea Warfare Center. NUWC Newport's mission is to provide research, development, test and evaluation, engineering and fleet support for submarines, autonomous underwater systems, undersea offensive and defensive weapons systems, and countermeasures. NUWC's other division is located in Keyport, Wash.

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