Reminder on Reopening Safely

With states and cities opening many elements of the economy, and with the Independence Day holiday coming up next week, more people are “out and about”, which increases potential exposure to COVID-19. It is essential that we all follow CDC and health department guidelines at all times — at home, in our communities, in our daily lives, and at work. Your health, the health of your family, your friends and your coworkers depends on it.

At Ingalls, more of our coworkers are returning to work every day and new hires are joining the workforce every week. The Company is doing all it can to do ensure a safe workplace for all shipbuilders, customers and suppliers. We continue to clean work areas daily.

It is also important that every employee also take personal responsibility and ensure you clean your way into and out of your work area each day. Be smart and use the resources available to you such as disinfectant and hand sanitizer which can be obtained by visiting the Facility Cleaners building in the main yard or by calling 228-935-3464.

Social distancing is a practice that should absolutely be followed at all times that it is possible; and when it is not possible, please wear a mask or other face covering to cover your mouth and nose.

DO NOT come to work if you have a positive contact at home or outside of work – immediately call the Ingalls Medical Department, at 228-935-1922, for instructions.

If you feel sick, DO NOT come to the shipyard. You can be SCREENED OVER THE PHONE by calling the Ingalls Medical Department at 228-935-1922, Monday- Friday 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., or by calling the Singing River Hospital Coronavirus Hotline at 228-809-5044 any time, day or night. You can also contact your primary healthcare provider. Then, if necessary and as directed, you may be scheduled for testing here at the shipyard.

Please spread the word not the virus — at work, at home and in your community. These steps will help ensure the health and safety of all employees.

Here are some other actions to consider as more and more areas are opening to public activities:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water aren’t available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Hand sanitizer refill stations are available in the yard for you to use.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

Avoid close contact when possible
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick at all times, even at home.
- Follow social distancing recommendations: Maintain six feet of space between yourself and others when possible.
Cover your mouth and nose when around others

- The CDC encourages you to wear cloth face coverings when you are in public.
- You could spread COVID-19 to others even if you do not feel sick.
- The cloth face cover is not a substitute for social distancing.

Clean & disinfect

- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, desks, phones, keyboards.
- Do not share your phone, computers or supplies with others.

Monitor your own health status

- Be alert for symptoms. Watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath or other symptoms of COVID-19.
- Conduct a daily self-check before you come to work.
- Do not come into work if you are sick.
- Contact your supervisor immediately if you begin to feel ill at work.