

AS A SUPPLY-CHAIN COMPANY FOR THE U.S. NAVY NUCLEAR-POWERED AIRCRAFT CARRIER PROGRAM (CVN), I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOU SUPPORT CONSISTENT, PREDICTABLE AND STABLE FUNDING FOR THE CVN CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM:

Augment the President's FY25 Budget request by authorizing and appropriating \$175M of advance-procurement funding to procure long lead time material and commodities for CVN 82/83 to ensure stability and continuity in the nuclear shipbuilding industrial base (Shipbuilding and Conversion, Navy (SCN) Line 5).

Approximately 50% of advanced-procurement-production lines for CVN suppliers are expected to "go cold" if FY25 funding is not received

Support legislative language expressing concern about timing of the next procurement of *Ford*-class aircraft carriers and encouraging the Pentagon to restore procurement of CVN 82 no later than fiscal year 2029

- ★ Projected procurement of CVN 82 in fiscal year 2030 could have detrimental and potentially long-lasting impacts on an already fragile nuclear-shipbuilding industrial base as well as being detrimental to aircraft carriers' force structure
- ★ If CVN 82 is delayed, 40% of suppliers say they will need to layoff workers and/or deprioritize military shipbuilding and explore more commercial options.\*

Support the President's FY25 Budget request by authorizing and appropriating funding for aircraft carrier programs currently under contract, specifically:

- ★ Carrier Replacement Program funding for John F. Kennedy (CVN 79), Enterprise (CVN 80) and Doris Miller (CVN 81)
- Refueling and Complex Overhaul (RCOH) Program funding for USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74) and USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75)

## **OPTIMUM FORD-CLASS ACQUISITION STRATEGY**

The optimal strategy for the procurement and construction of *Ford*-class aircraft carriers is expected to save more than \$5 billion for CVN 82/83:

- 2-Ship Buy: Reduces cost and injects predictability and stability to the industrial base
- At least 3 years of advance-procurement funding: Accounts for longer material lead times and reduces schedule risk
- ☆ On 4-year delivery intervals: Maintains trained workforce proficiency and eliminates "peaks and valleys"







2,000+ supply-chain businesses across the nation inject \$9.2 billion into communities by supplying parts and services to build and maintain U.S. Navy aircraft carriers.

