

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Joe Courtney today announced that Groton-based Electric Boat (EB) secured a \$23,068,954 contract from the U.S. Navy to perform submarine repair work at Norfolk Naval Shipyard. Under the contract, about 880 EB tradesmen will perform repair work on the USS Newport News and USS West Virginia. The repair work, which is expected to be completed by September 2012, will further stabilize EB’s workforce, as production work continues to ramp up at the yard.

“Today’s announcement demonstrates once again the Navy’s faith in Electric Boat and the work they do,” **said Congressman Courtney**. “EB has repeatedly demonstrated that they can do the work asked of them on time and without costly overruns. We still have a lot of work to do in protecting and growing jobs, but with doubled submarine production finally a reality and design work well underway on the OHIO replacement, this is good progress.”

Rep. Courtney has worked to protect jobs and stabilize the workforce at Electric Boat. Working together, Congressman Courtney, EB management and Admiral McCoy have succeeded in mitigating layoffs on the waterfront, most recently in the round that was announced in July. Additionally, Congressman Courtney has met and conferred with Admiral McCoy several times in 2011 to pursue additional repair work for EB.

Congressman Courtney is the sole member of the Connecticut Congressional delegation to sit on the House Armed Services Committee. He is a member of the Seapower and Expeditionary Forces Subcommittee, which has jurisdiction over the U.S. Navy.

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