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NORTHROP GRUMMAN APPOINTS PETER C. DIAKUN TO
PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR MARINE INTEGRATED POWER
SYSTEMS PROGRAMS AT NEWPORT NEWS SECTOR

NEWPORT NEWS, Va.—August 27, 2002 – Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) announced today that its Newport News sector has appointed Peter C. Diakun to the position of program director for Marine Integrated Power Systems programs. Diakun will be responsible for oversight of design, procurement and system integration of major hull, mechanical and electrical systems, specifically focusing on Electric Drive propulsion for the DD(X) destroyer and the Integrated Communications Advanced Network (ICAN) for aircraft carriers. He will also be responsible for DD(X) destroyer ship design support provided by Newport News to Northrop Grumman's Ship Systems sector, the DD(X) destroyer prime contractor.

Diakun will report to Irwin F. Edenzon, vice president, Business and Technology Development for Northrop Grumman Newport News. "Pete's technical and programmatic experience has prepared him for this strategically important assignment. Northrop Grumman Newport News will develop the new propulsion system for the next family of surface combatants that will be designed and built by Northrop Grumman Ship Systems" said Edenzon. "This is an important program for our sector, Northrop Grumman Corporation and the Navy."

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Diakun has more than 16 years of experience in submarine and surface ship programs with the Newport News sector, most recently serving as program manager, Multi-Mission Platform Program for the third *Seawolf* submarine. He came to Newport News from TRW, where he worked on integrated electronic and communications systems.

He received his bachelor of science degree in Electrical Engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and a Master of Science degree in Management from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

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