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Northrop Grumman Awarded Contract for Work on USS *Toledo* (SSN 769)

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. – Jan. 31, 2006 – Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) has been awarded a contract from the U.S. Navy for maintenance work, known as a depot modernization period, on the nuclear-powered submarine USS *Toledo* (SSN 769). The initial planning contract is valued at approximately \$34.7 million. The total estimated value, including the actual execution, is valued at approximately \$175 million.

Northrop Grumman's Newport News sector is the prime contractor for the work, which will include planning and scheduling, engineering, material procurement, fabrication, maintenance and modernization work.

The ship is scheduled to arrive in September for a performance period lasting approximately 13 months, 10 of which will include dry dock work. Planning work will begin immediately. This is a competitive award under a Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) multiple award contract.

“We are extremely pleased to win this competition. This will be the fourth dry-docking availability of a *Los Angeles*-class submarine at Newport News since 2003, and we continue to perform well in this business,” said Irwin F. Edenzon, vice president of technology development and fleet support at Northrop Grumman Newport News. “We’ll be working closely with the Navy to incorporate their lessons learned and best practices as we plan and execute this work.”

Toledo is the 26th *Los Angeles*-class submarine built by Northrop Grumman Newport News. It was christened on August 28, 1993 and commissioned into service February 24, 1995.

Northrop Grumman Newport News, headquartered in Newport News, Va., is the nation's sole designer, builder and refueler of nuclear-powered aircraft carriers and one of only two companies capable of designing and building nuclear-powered submarines. Newport News also provides after-market services for a wide array of naval and commercial vessels. The Newport News sector employs about 19,000 people.

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