Ingalls Shipbuilding Awarded Life-Cycle Engineering Contract on Navy's LPD 17 Program



USS San Antonio (LPD 17) approaches its assigned berthing space in Baltimore, Maryland, in this 2012 photo. Ingalls Shipbuilding has been awarded a contract for life-cycle engineering and support services for the San Antonio class of amphibious transport docks. U.S. Navy / Joseph P. Cirone PASCAGOULA, Miss. – Huntington Ingalls Industries' Ingalls Shipbuilding division has been awarded a cost-plus-fixed-fee contract for life-cycle engineering and support services on the U.S. Navy's San Antonio (LPD 17) class of amphibious transport docks, the company said in a Feb. 26 release. This follow-on contract consists of a base contract valued at \$36.9 million with a cumulative value of \$213.9 million if all options are exercised.

"This contract enables Ingalls to continue providing LPD support and services that are critical to the sustainment of the Navy's amphibious fleet," said Ingalls Shipbuilding President Brian Cuccias. "Our talented workforce has the knowledge and experience required to perform this important work, and we are committed to ensuring these state-of-the-art warships serve our nation well into the future."

Services provided in this contract include engineering change management; systems engineering and integration; supply chain management; training for new LPD 17-class shipboard systems; and the execution of industrial post-delivery availabilities.

"We appreciate the Navy's continued investment in our experienced team and their reliance on the support we provide," said David King, Ingalls' LPD 17 life-cycle program manager. "This contract builds on our strong partnership with the Navy in the construction and postdelivery management of Navy ships. We look forward to supporting these ships as they evolve to meet the changing threat environment."

San Antonio-class ships are 684 feet long and 105 feet wide and displace approximately 25,000 tons. Their principal mission is to deploy the combat and support elements of Marine expeditionary units and brigades. The ships can carry up to 800 troops and have the capability of transporting and debarking landing craft air cushion or conventional landing craft, augmented by helicopters or vertical take-off and landing aircraft such as the MV-22. These ships will support amphibious assault, special operations or expeditionary warfare missions through the first half of the 21st century.