

## 2023 NAVSEA 08 Radiological Inspection

During the week of May 8-12, 2023, a team of specialists from Naval Reactors headquarters and the local Naval Reactors Representative Office evaluated one of the company's most important core competencies – our ability to perform naval nuclear work.

The Naval Reactors team evaluated our nuclear and radiological programs including facilities, safety, quality and engineering. The team inspected work sites, observed work-in-process, and interviewed employees to evaluate the company's performance to Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program standards. Naval Reactors' thorough inspection is extremely important and helps validate our procedures, processes, training and quality of the work done by the men and women of Electric Boat. Feedback from the evaluation team's interactions with the Electric Boat employees was very positive. They were impressed and appreciative with your willingness to be open, share information and to learn and improve.

Although the Naval Reactors team of approximately 13 subject matter experts is onsite for one week, the inspection began several months ago with submittals of requested information, execution of exercises and demonstrations in the performance of nuclear work. There is a tremendous amount

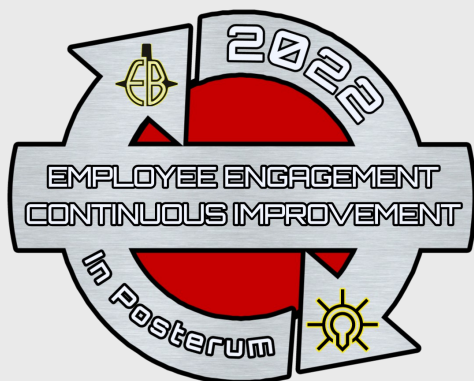
of work that goes into preparations prior to, during and following this inspection and I would like to personally thank all shipbuilders for their time and support of this inspection. Most notable, was the mobilization of a 70 person, cross functional team that was put together within hours, to perform a gross and obvious hand over hand inspection on critical infrastructure systems at the Groton shipyard. I am very proud of our Electric Boat team and their overwhelming response to help another teammate. This effort is one example of how we come together as a team of shipbuilders, willing to help and support the mission.

The importance of the work we do here is vital to the shipbuilders, to the sailors who operate these warships and to the nation whose freedoms these warships are bound to protect.

*Judy Ruthko*

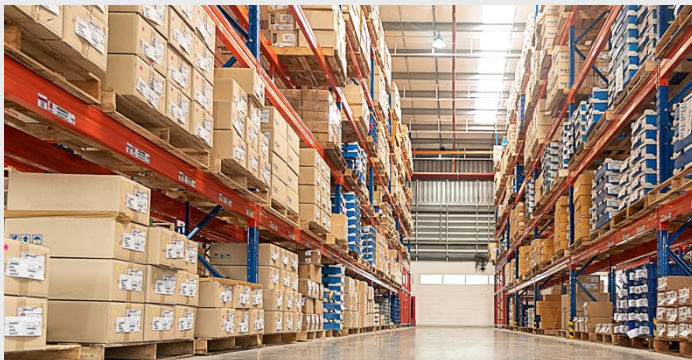
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## CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

### 8 Wastes - Inventory



Every business needs inventory to function, so why is **inventory** considered one of the eight types of wastes? Well, inventory waste refers to the waste produced by unprocessed inventory. This wastes space as well as the capital used to purchase the inventory without immediate financial returns and we all know that in any business “cash is king.” So, if a business has a large amount of unused inventory, then it ties up their capital and is unable to use it elsewhere in the business.

So what is considered as inventory? Inventory can be all raw materials on hand, materials in the production process, completed products, or products in transport to end customers. Anytime materials, parts, assemblies, or products are sitting and waiting, they would be considered as a form of waste inventory.

What causes inventory wastes?

- Overproduction
- Not understanding demand
- Long setup times
- Poor monitoring systems

While you’re going about your jobs, take a look around your area. Make note of all the unused inventory around you and look at it as an opportunity to improve your business because there are steps to take to reduce or eliminate inventory wastes.

- Just in Time production
- Implement a Kanban system
- Practice first in first out (FIFO)

**Do YOU have any ideas on how to reduce the extra processing in your area?**

**Have a process improvement idea, or simply just want a board to bounce ideas off? Discuss your idea with your Supervisor. If additional resources are required for implementation, your Supervisor can contact Process Engineering.**

# The SubTones – Singer Auditions



**Date:** May 24, 2023  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Time:** 4:00 PM  
**Location:** Groton Tech Center /  
B88-3<sup>rd</sup> floor Conference Room

The EB SubTones singing group performs patriotic, maritime and holiday songs at submarine keel layings/christenings, memorials and many other EB and community events. We have some openings for people with a passion for singing to join our group. Prior singing experience is preferred but not required. You must be an Electric Boat employee to audition, no shop order is provided.

**PLEASE CONTACT US VIA EMAIL FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

**SubTones Musical Director: Robert Westhaver: [rwesthav@gdeb.com](mailto:rwesthav@gdeb.com)**

**SubTones Business Director: Virginia Andrea: [vandrea@gdeb.com](mailto:vandrea@gdeb.com)**

## UHC Wellness Lifestyle Check-Up

We all know it is important to get a physical check up with our doctor on a regular basis. Did you know that most of the care of our health takes place outside of the doctor's office?

Wondering how your lifestyle habits stack up? Maybe it's time for a Lifestyle Check-up!

Your Wellness Coaches invite you to take part in a brief personalized wellness conversation to help you assess your habits and lifestyle around diet, physical activity, sleep, stress, smoking, alcohol use, and social connectedness.

We will share wellness resources that are relevant to your individual needs and interests, as well as help you set a goal for yourself to take the first step in enjoying better health.

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**Who?** All Electric Boat employees and spouses

**What?** A 15-minute Lifestyle Check-up

**Where?** By phone or in-person visit

**When?** Schedule at your convenience- contact your coach by email, phone, or text

**Why?** A healthy lifestyle can also help you enjoy a great quality of life and live life to the fullest.

**How?** To start on your path to greater well-being, contact your onsite Wellness Coach today to set up your Lifestyle Check-Up.

### Connecticut sites/off-site

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Win a Prize! All participants in the Lifestyle Check Up through May 31, 2023 will be entered into a raffle to win your choice of an Electric Boat hoodie, a Swell water bottle, a Yeti tumbler or a Hydro flask lunchbox.

Completing a session with a wellness coach counts for one activity under the It All Counts portion of the employee incentive program



- Coming very soon! SSN 797 Iowa Apparel!!
  - USS Nautilus Gear! Back by popular demand!
  - NEW!! EB Logo Laptop Messenger Bag! Great for office and travel!
  - Vast selection of Timberland Boots! Come check them out today!
- Hours of Operation**  
 Bldg 4: 9:30am to 4pm  
 Bldg 104: 8am to 4pm  
 New London: 7am to 2pm



**Weekly Safety Briefing Wk-22**  
5/21/2023 – 5/27/2023

**200%**  
ACCOUNTABILITY



**PAY ATTENTION**  
TO WHAT  
YOU'RE DOING,  
THE TOOLS  
YOU'RE USING,  
AND THE WORK  
AROUND YOU

Week 22

GENERAL DYNAMICS  
Electric Boat

**Policy Statement # 13:** Electric Boat Corporation has established Occupational Health and Safety as the Company's Number One Priority.

**DIRECTORY**

*When calling from an outside line, remember to dial 433 and the last four digits of the numbers below.*

<b>EMERGENCY</b> .....	3-3333
Ambulance.....	3-3344
Fire Department.....	3-3617
EEO Officer.....	3-4167
Benefits.....	3-4201
Employment.....	3-7386
Environmental.....	3-2791
Ethics Hotline.....	1-800-433-8442
Payroll.....	3-3702
Safety.....	3-2811
Security.....	3-5530
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Timekeeping.....	3-6604
Training.....	3-0591
Yard Hospital.....	3-3470
Rad Con.....	3-5019

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