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CAPT Karl M. Hasslinger, USN (Ret.)

Board of Directors

Karl M. Hasslinger is Electric Boat's Director of Washington Operations and is responsible for strategic analysis, government relations, business development, and ballistic-missile defense activities. He joined the company in September 2002 following a 26-year career in the U.S. Navy.

A former submarine officer, Hasslinger commanded the USS Hammerhead (SSN-663) before moving to a series of defense strategy billets. He served as a Fellow on the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group, as the Strategic Planning Assistant to the Director of Submarine Warfare on the Chief of Naval Operations staff, and as a Military Assistant in the Office of Secretary of Defense—Net Assessment.

Hasslinger is a 1975 graduate of Marquette University, where he earned a BS in electrical engineering. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Naval War College, where he earned a master of science in national security and strategic studies, graduating with highest distinction.

Vice Chair: ADM Timothy J. Keating, USN (Ret.)

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Admiral Timothy J. Keating retired in December 2009 after serving for three years as the Commander of the United States Pacific Command, headquartered in Honolulu, Hawaii. His area of responsibility included over 3.4 billion people and half the surface of the earth. While in command, Admiral Keating visited over 30 countries, meeting diplomats, military officials, academicians and commercial leaders to emphasize active engagement with national and international partners in preserving the security and stability upon which the Asia-Pacific region's success depends.

Prior to his tour at Pacific Command, Admiral Keating was Commander of the United States Northern Command, responsible for protecting the United States homeland and providing support to federal, state and local officials in time of crisis. Simultaneously, he was Commander of the North American Aerospace Defense Command, providing aerospace warning, air sovereignty and defense for the United States and Canada.

Previous tours include service as the Director of the Joint Staff in the Pentagon; command of the United States Fifth Fleet and all naval forces in the United States Central Command, headquartered in the Kingdom of Bahrain; Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Plans, Policy and Operations) in the Pentagon; command of the USS Kitty Hawk Battle Group stationed in Yokosuka Japan; and Deputy Director for Operations (Current Operations) on the Joint Staff in the Pentagon.

Admiral Keating held command positions at the Naval Strike Warfare Center, a Carrier Air Wing and an F-18 Squadron. Admiral Keating is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy and was a Chief of Naval Operations Fellow with the Strategic Studies Group in Newport Rhode Island. He has accumulated over 5,000 hours of flight time in tactical jets and has landed on Navy aircraft carriers over 1,200 times.

In addition to numerous awards from the United States, he has received military decorations from Great Britain, Bahrain, Canada, Japan, the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, Taiwan and Singapore, and is a proud Honorary Master Chief Petty Officer in the United States Navy.

Admiral Keating is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, is a Director for the Jamestown Foundation, Nexen USA, and CAE-USA, is a Trustee for the Naval Aviation Museum and the Navy-Marine Association, serves on the Virginia Commission for Military and National Security Affairs and is an international strategic advisor for several corporations.

Mr. John Morton III

Board of Directors

Mr. Morton graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1967. After completion of Admiral Rickover's Nuclear Power Schools and Submarine School, he earned dolphins while serving in a ballistic-missile submarine. Mr. Morton received an MBA from Harvard University in 1973. After a 30-year career in banking that led to positions of chairman, chief executive officer, and president of a number of large financial institutions, he retired in 2005. During this time, he also served as chairman, trustee, and director of numerous business and community organizations in Kansas City, Kansas; St. Louis, Missouri; Washington, D.C.; and Baltimore, Maryland. Currently Mr. Morton serves as director of two corporate boards, chairman of the Maryland Stadium Authority, commissioner on the Maryland State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission, and is a trustee to the Athletic and Scholarship Programs of the U.S. Naval Academy Foundation. He is married with three children and resides in Annapolis, Maryland.

Chair: ADM James G. Stavridis, USN (Ret.)

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A Florida native, Jim Stavridis attended the US Naval Academy at Annapolis, and spent over thirty years in the Navy, rising to the rank of 4-star Admiral. Among his many commands were four years as Supreme Allied Commander at NATO, where he oversaw operations in Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, the Balkans, and piracy off the coast of Africa. He also commanded US Southern Command in Miami Florida, charged with military operations through Latin America.

In the course of his career in the Navy, he served as senior military assistant to the Secretary of the Navy and the Secretary of Defense. He led the Navy's premier operational think tank for innovation, Deep Blue, immediately after the 9/11 attacks.

He won the Battenberg Cup for commanding the top ship in the Atlantic Fleet and the Navy League John Paul Jones Award for Inspirational leadership, along with over forty US and international medals and decorations.

He earned a PhD from The Fletcher School at Tufts, winning the Gullion prize as outstanding student in his class, as well as academic honors from the National and Naval War Colleges as a distinguished student. He speaks Spanish and French.

Jim has published five books on leadership, Latin America, ship handling, and innovation, as well as over a hundred articles in leading journals. An active user of social networks, he has thousands of followers

on Twitter and friends on Facebook. His TED talk on 21st century security in 2012 has had over 700,000 views.

Admiral Stavridis is also the Chair of the Board of the US Naval Institute, and has won both the *Proceedings* and USNI Press Author of the Year Awards.

Jim is the 12th Dean at The Fletcher School, a post he assumed in the summer of 2013. He is happily married to Laura, and they have two daughters – one working at Google and the other an Ensign in the US Navy.

CAPT Gordan E. Van Hook, USN (Ret.)

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Gordan Van Hook is an independent consultant who advises the US government and commercial maritime companies on best practices and innovation in ship design and construction, energy efficiency, sustainment, maritime security and counter-piracy. He worked for Maersk Line, Limited for two years as Senior Director, Ship Management and Chartering and for four years as Senior Director, Innovation and Concept Development. In 2009, he led the Maersk crisis action team in Mombasa, Kenya for the Maersk Alabama incident.

A 29 year Navy veteran, he served afloat in destroyers and frigates. He was awarded the Bronze Star with "V" for actions to save USS SAMUEL B. ROBERTS (FFG-58) after being mined in the Persian Gulf. He commanded USS O'BANNON (DD-987) and DESTROYER SQUADRON 23, serving as Sea Combat Commander for the NIMITZ (CVN-68) Strike Group. In his final job in the Navy he served as the Executive Director of the CNO Executive Panel.

He has masters' degrees in Information Systems from Naval Postgraduate School and National Security Strategy from Naval War College.