To: Austal Employees, Contractors, Sub-contractors and Visitors

Our number one goal is the health and safety of our employees, customers, and partners. We continually review and assess new information on COVID-19. To improve our response and prevent the transmission of the virus at work, we are asking everyone to assess the need for enhanced face coverings.

Going forward enhanced face covering protection is required when:

- Jobs require sustained contact within 6 feet for an hour or longer
- 3 or more persons are involved in the activity
- Special events or tasks requiring frequent close proximity and grouping (trials)

Enhanced Face Covering Guidance

The below list is considered enhanced face coverings.

1. KN95 mask (no valve)
2. Surgical mask
3. Cloth mask with a face shield

If the above options are not available, cloth masks must be doubled.

N95 and P100 respirators should be reserved for jobs which require respirators. The CDC asks such masks be conserved for healthcare workers. If a respirator with a valve is being used for a job requiring an enhanced face covering, the valve must be covered with a surgical mask or approved equivalent.

Additional Info

Face coverings are required to access Austal property and places of business. They must be worn at all times while onsite unless working alone in cubical/workstation, workspace, office, or immediate work area. Face coverings are required during breaks, but may be lowered or removed if eating and drinking while physically distancing.

If enhanced face coverings are needed, contact department management, Visitor Control, or Austal Medical at 251-445-8585 or Covid_19_medical@austalusa.com.