

Metal Fabrication

Shipbuilding. Automotive. Aerospace.

The Mississippi Gulf Coast is one of the largest shipbuilding regions in the nation and is home to a significant leader in the industry, Huntington Ingalls Industries. Along with the automotive industry and other key steel and component manufacturers, Southeast Mississippi is as strong as the metals it fabricates. Mississippi Power offers superior reliability, world-class customer service and customizable rates.

Impressive Performance

- ▶ Huntington Ingalls Industries is the largest supplier of U.S. Navy surface combatants and the sole builder of aircraft carriers and amphibious assault ships.
- ▶ Autokiniton supplies the automotive industry with body-structure stamping frames and other chassis structures.
- ▶ VT Halter Marine is the largest designer and builder of articulated barges, as well as a variety of medium-sized vessels.
- ▶ Helanbak's skilled CNC operators craft precision parts for industries like sawmills, water well drill pipes, and firearms, covering design to production.



Competitive Advantages



A right-to-work state with a supportive business climate, incentives and expedited environmental permitting.



Excellent transportation with three federal interstate highways, numerous four-lane roads, and access to four in-state commercial airports



The region has access to three in-state Gulf Coast ports with connection to four class I rail lines.



Southeast Mississippi offers industrial sites and buildings, including Project Ready™ certified locations by Mississippi Power.

Supplying the shipbuilding industry's workforce, the Maritime Training Academy is a \$20 million, 70,000-square-foot maritime training facility in Pascagoula dedicated to educating the workforce of the future in advanced manufacturing skills and industry-specific computer skills. This academy is an educational partnership between Huntington Ingalls Industries and MS Gulf Coast Community College.

Trained & Ready Workforce



Southeast Mississippi boasts a skilled workforce supported by custom training at local community colleges.



Accelerate Mississippi is the state's workforce development organization, linking individuals to high-paying careers.



Mississippi's workforce team can design a customized workforce screening and training program strategy to meet new and existing industry.



Regional community colleges offer programs in welding, CNC operation, precision manufacturing and machining technology to enhance metal fabrication skills.



Our Success Stories

