



## **Biography**

### *United States Navy*

#### **Jim Vallas**

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Mr. Jim Vallas, a native of Kansas, earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering at Kansas State University. He is a graduate of the Anderson Graduate School of Management at the University of California at Los Angeles, having completed the Executive Program. He also completed the UCLA Engineering Management Series.

Mr. Vallas joined Port Hueneme Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center in 1971. He became Director of Engineering in July 1997, bringing with him an extensive background of engineering experience and expertise in Navy surface warfare missiles and weapon/combat systems.

Mr. Vallas began his career at General Dynamics where he gained valuable knowledge and experience working as a missile systems engineer on a new Navy missile project called STANDARD Missile. Mr. Vallas joined the Naval Ship Missile Systems Engineering Station, now Port Hueneme Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center, as a STANDARD Missile engineer with a group that eventually grew into the AEGIS Combat Systems Department.

His other assignments at Port Hueneme Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center have included: Manager of the AEGIS Weapon Direction System Branch; Manager of the Weapons Evaluation Division of the Combat Systems Test and Analysis Department; Deputy Manager, Missile Systems Department; Department Manager, Missile Systems; and Director of Engineering.

As Technical Operations Manager, Mr. Vallas provides leadership and direction for the command, keeping strategies and standards aligned. He guides the command in supporting the fleet, while looking toward the Navy's future needs.

He has received numerous accolades and awards during his career, but the one of which he is most proud is the Navy Superior Civilian Service Award.

