

TPI Composites gets \$6.8 million Navy ship contract

WARREN – TPI Composites Inc. has been awarded a \$6.8 million fixed-price contract to build 16 U.S. Naval Academy sail-training crafts, according to U.S. Sen. Lincoln D. Chafee. The 44-foot ships, made out of fiberglass and reinforced plastic, are to be built in Warren by April 2008. They will be used to train midshipmen.

TPI makes composite products for industrial and recreational applications, from racing sailboats, to wind turbine blades, to airport people-moving trains. The company does laminate design and testing, prototype and tooling fabrication, and production.