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## **HALO protecting naval facilities and vessels in Newton**

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According to Paul Jensen, CEO of HALO Maritime Defense Systems (HMDS), senator Kelly Ayotte was a featured speaker at the company's dedication ceremony of its Technical Development Center on June 27th. "I am proud of the cutting-edge work that HALO is doing right here in Newton to protect naval facilities and vessels," said Ayotte, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee. "The new technical development center will allow HALO to continue this important work, while contributing to our local economy."

"With the help of the U.S. Navy and the Ocean Engineering Program at UNH, HALO has been able to do pioneering work in the field of maritime security," said Jensen. "To think that a small company in Newton, NH, is serving our Navy and our most strategic allies on the very frontlines of the Global War on Terror is pretty amazing."

Tom Ridge, former governor of Pennsylvania and First Secretary U.S. Department of Homeland Security and an advisor to HALO said, "I am proud to be working with a firm that has developed what I believe to be the definitive answer to addressing the threats posed by small boat attacks."

HALO Maritime Defense Systems engineers and manufacturers the HALO line of maritime security products. The HALO barrier is the most technology-advanced Maritime Security Barrier System in the world (8 U.S. Patents) and the only barrier independently tested by the U.S. Navy. Specifically designed to protect strategic maritime assets, the HALO barrier is a new type of security barrier system employing advanced composite materials and designed to provide a system that is both low maintenance and eco-friendly. Combined with the HALO Guardian gate, HALO can offer a first-ever waterside perimeter security solution featuring fully automated access.

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