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WHAT: "Submarines in the 21st Century," University of New Hampshire CEO Forum

WHEN: Thursday, Oct. 12, 2006, 8 a.m.

WHERE: New England Center, Durham campus

BACKGROUND: J. Stephen Perry Jr., commander of the USS Santa Fe, will talk about the U.S. submarine forces, and their role in the defense of the country and in fighting the war on terror.

The USS Santa Fe is the Navy's 52nd Los Angeles class fast-attack nuclear powered submarine, which recently arrived at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for a one-year modernization period. Perry has been in command of the Santa Fe for more than two years, during which time it has traveled more than 100,000 nautical miles while participating in a Western Pacific deployment and an Arctic under-ice transit. A nuclear powered submarine, it can dive deeper than 800 feet and run at speeds in excess of 25 knots.

Perry was born in New London, Conn., and graduated from the United States Naval Academy. He has served on the USS Chicago, USS Minneapolis-St. Paul, USS San Francisco and as the undersea warfare operations officer with Carrier Battle Group One. In this capacity, he helped train every Pacific battle group in undersea warfare.

Initiated in 1997, the UNH CEO Forum is an outreach program of the UNH Whittemore School of Business and Economics and the UNH Graduate School serving CEOs, presidents, and senior managers of companies in northern New England. The forum provides its members with opportunities to meet and exchange ideas with their peers in business and industry in an informal setting. The UNH CEO Forum is sponsored by the law firm of Pierce Atwood and Ocean National Bank. For more information about the CEO Forum, visit <http://www.unh-ceoforum.org/>.

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