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PRESS RELEASE

NCBC opens new mini mart gas station

GULFPORT, Miss. – The Navy Exchange on board Naval Construction Battalion Center (NCBC), Gulfport will host a grand opening ceremony for their new mini-mart gas station at 9:30 a.m., Sept. 18 at the base.

The long awaited facility provides a modern centralized convenience store with greater accessibility and expanded services. The \$4.5 million facility will have diesel fuel which was not available in the old mini-mart. There are 16 fuel pumps in the new gas station compared to six at the old store. The new food bars will provide easy, grab-and-go foods for busy Seabees and students at the Naval Construction Training Center, and personnel living in the barracks. Floor space was also created for the addition of a General Nutrition Center (GNC) which has been included.

Operationally, an emergency generator will provide back-up power to enable operations and fuel service even during catastrophic events while the above ground fuel tanks eliminate the environmental concern of underground storage tanks at the base.

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Media who would like to attend should contact Rob Mims at 228-871-2699 (work) or 701-330-1169 (cell) by 8:30 a.m. Sept. 18. Media will meet at the Pass Rd. gate at 9 a.m.