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# Launching The LCS Montgomery



## Job Specs

**Weight:** 2800 Tons

**Dimensions:** 418'W x 107'L

**Equipment Used:** 20 lines of ESE SPMTs and 84 lines of SLEs, loading ramps, 18 high volume water pumps, 425' x 126' x 25' deck barge, numerous 65 ton winches and tugs.

The Berard Team was proud to once again take a pinnacle role in transporting the Navy's newest addition to its fleet, the Montgomery, a 418'L x 107'W Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) built with pride by Austal in Mobile, Alabama. Berard provided a turnkey service and accomplished the task using 104 axle lines of self propelled modular transporters. The team rolled the 2800 ton LCS from the final assembly bay to a waiting deck barge, all in record time and keeping the project ahead of schedule. The Montgomery was then barged down river for transloading from deck barge to drydock. The entire process was accomplished safely and in only one day.





# The Boiler Transport



## Job Specs

**Weight:** 200,000 lbs

**Dimensions:**

40' L x 13' W x 17'-7" H

## Equipment Used:

12 axle line Goldhofer THP trailer, unified jacking system, bridge jumpers & hydraulic sliding system.

Berard recently transported this "A" style package boiler from a defunct plant in St. Bernard Parish, LA. In a marsh area that experienced a storm surge over 20 feet for Hurricane Katrina, considering ground conditions was critical. Berard first used a unified jacking system to lift the boiler to approximately 5' above grade. The concrete supports were removed, and the Goldhofer THP trailer was positioned and loaded. To exit the plant, Berard utilized bridge jumpers to span the inadequate bridge exiting the plant onto public roadways. From here, it was a 9 mile move through historic oak trees, numerous overhead energized power lines, and a working movie set. The boiler was then slid onto a railcar for final shipment to Houston, TX.



# Forklift Safety



One of the most commonly used tools on any job site is the forklift. They come in many different sizes and types. At Berard, we mainly utilize telehandler or telescoping type forklifts due to their sheer versatility. One the thing relates to them all is that working unsafe on or around them can be deadly. Thousands of accidents are reported each year with some caused by neglecting safety procedures and some by downright carelessness.

Having a great safety program in place as well as having each operator trained and certified in proper operation is key to preventing accidents before they happen. We want everyone to go home at the end of the day and working safe is what makes that happen.

## Basic Forklift Safety Practices

Here are a few common safety rules to follow during forklift operation:

1. Use the seat belt. It will keep you secured in the seat in the unplanned event of a tip over.
2. A parked forklift should have the forks flat on the floor with the controls set to neutral and with the parking brake set.
3. When traveling without a load on the forks, keep the forks approximately four to six inches off the floor.
4. Never allow anyone to walk underneath a raised load.

# Happy Birthday!

**From The Berard Team**

**Berard sends our best Happy Birthday wishes to these dedicated Team Members this month:**

- > **Brad Courville**
- > **George Doucet**
- > **Kattya Solis**
- > **Clay Bonnet**
- > **Tim Wilson**
- > **Anthony Roth**
- > **Cheryl Berard**