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Duane Fotheringham is the president of the Uncrewed Systems group in HII's Mission Technologies division. He is responsible for HII's work in unmanned underwater vehicles (UUVs), unmanned surface vehicles (USVs) and autonomy software.

Fotheringham previously served as president and chairman of the board of Hydroid, which was acquired by HII in 2020. Hydroid was a field-proven technology leader in advanced marine robotics, specifically autonomous underwater vehicles (AUVs). He joined Hydroid in 2008 as the vice president of operations and was responsible for the research and development, engineering and manufacturing of the REMUS line of AUVs.

Fotheringham began his career in the U.S. Navy, serving as a submarine officer aboard the HII-built USS Salt Lake City (SSN 716). He then spent more than a decade with Kongsberg Underwater Technology, where he managed the company's underwater surveillance business and held hydroacoustics, hydrography, underwater positioning, fisheries acoustics and underwater vehicle responsibilities.

He holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Washington State University and an MBA from the City University of Seattle, as well as executive education from the International Institute for Management Development in Lausanne, Switzerland.