

MTA Division 3 Scores High Marks During CHP Bus Inspection



The mighty maintenance staff of Division 3.

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(October 15) It was a banner day for Division 3 when the California Highway Patrol conducted its most recent bus inspection at the Cypress Park facility on October 8. Typically, the CHP inspects 20 buses at a MTA division. But when the 16th consecutive bus passed muster without a single bus being taken out of service, inspectors were impressed enough to call it a day. "This is an excellent statement that supports the hard work that the dedicated staff has been performing at Division 3," said Maintenance Superintendent John Roberts. "Congratulations go out to everyone at the division for a successful inspection. The CHP typically inspects buses at each division once per year, examining the condition of the brakes, steering, air system and suspension, as well as the maintenance records and the operators' and mechanics' drivers logs. This time around, inspectors issued a total of only 18 write-ups for minor defects which led one inspector to remark that the condition of the buses he inspected at Division 3 was the best

he had seen at the MTA in the ten years he has been assigned to the region.

HARD DAY'S WORK--Top, Lead Mechanic John Arnold; center, Maintenance Manager Milo Victoria and Lead Mechanic Tim Wong, and below, Mechanic "A" Frank Espinosa make the inspection rounds.

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