

Shown at the "Buyer of the Quarter" award ceremony, from left, are Director of Purchasing Ron Dupuis, Purchasing Contract Manager Richard Bachman, Otto Ojong and Deputy Executive Officer Ted Montoya.

Otto Ojong is Purchasing's 'Buyer of the Quarter'

By RON DUPUIS

(Oct. 18, 2001) Otto Ojong has been named the Materiel Department's Purchasing "Buyer of the Quarter" for his commitment and dedication to providing outstanding service to his clients.

Ojong was instrumental in processing the first competitive procurements for natural gas required to power the CNG bus fleet. Award of the one-year contract for natural gas resulted in savings of over \$400,000 for the agency.

Ojong is responsible for procurement of a wide variety of equipment and products including gasoline, diesel fuel and natural gas. He continuously uses his experience in the planning and execution of the normal work activities, as well as execution of complex procurements, including the recent acquisition of 224 new non-revenue vehicles and the management of the office supply contract.

He approaches all of his assignments with a positive, professional attitude. His communication style and friendly personality has worked effectively in dealing with all of his internal and external clients and suppliers. The quality of his work is outstanding and exemplary.

Ojong is always willing to take on new assignments and help others. He has distinguished himself as being dependable, highly motivated and a true asset to the Purchasing Section, Procurement Department and the MTA.

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