

MTA Director of Purchasing Ron Dupuis, center, presents a Supplier Recognition Award to Mike Barnett, president, Valley Detroit Diesel Allison. Attending, from left, are the MTA's Lydie Colonello, Richard Bachman, Al Mitchell, Ted Montoya and Lonnie Mitchell, Dupuis, Barnett and Detroit Diesel's Connie Flores, Laks De Silva and Tim Payne.



### Four MTA Vendors Honored for Outstanding Performance

(Oct. 30, 2002) Four vendors that supply parts for MTA bus and rail fleets were honored, recently, for outstanding performance during FY 2002.

MTA Procurement & Material Management named New Flyer Parts of Winnipeg, Canada; Southern Coach Parts of Birmingham, Ala.; Valley Detroit Diesel Allison of City of Industry, Calif.; and Vehicle Maintenance Program of Boca Raton, Fla., as winners of its first Supplier Recognition Program.

The program is designed to encourage, recognize and reward the work, accomplishments and important contributions suppliers make in supporting the goal of maintaining and continually improving MTA's efficiency and effectiveness.

MTA's Ron Dupuis, center right, presents the Supplier Recognition Award to Vehicle Maintenance Program's President Penny Brooks. From left are Ron Ziegel, Ari Brooks and Barry Friedman of Vehicle Maintenance Program.



The program selected outstanding vendors and provided award recipients with letters of appreciation and plaques recognizing the supplier's support in accomplishing Material Management's key performance objectives.

A key performance objective is to support the continuity of Transit Operations and to minimize MTA vehicle holds for parts to no more than one percent or less.

Factors for the award include the volume and duration of the vendor's business relationship with MTA, the responsiveness of the supplier to MTA needs, quality of material, price leadership, delivery on-time performance, delivery/shipping proficiency, and other special considerations "above and beyond" support, such as technical assistance and "critical item" responses.

The program is administered by Purchasing. Selection of vendors was based upon input from all of the affected disciplines in the supply chain,

including buying, receiving, accounting and maintenance staff.

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