

From left, TOS Beverly Jones, Assistant Manager Demetrius Jones, TOS Saul Reece, Manager Grace Golden and TOS Leonard Hooper help administer tests for DMV's annual audit.



## **OCI Rides High and Passes Another DMV Audit**

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(May 13, 2003) Operations Central Instruction (OCI) pulled out all the stops and drove to the top once again – it recently passed its annual Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) audit with flying colors.

OCI Manager Grace Golden says MTA has been trained by DMV to give license exams to employees who are new to the company, employees who want another job title or rehires.

"Instead of testing at the DMV, we administer our own test," says Golden.

DMV makes annual visits to MTA and also may drop by unexpectedly throughout the year to ensure that MTA is in compliance with its requirements.

"DMV wants to make sure that we are testing the same as they do," says Transportation Operations Supervisor Saul Reece. "They also make sure that the scores and numbers are accurate and that everything we do is on the same line as DMV."

### **Regular testing**

OCI conducts these tests regularly because MTA is budgeted to hire 16 employees a week.

These driving tests include a route that requires students to negotiate several types of turns, uphill and downhill grades, railroad crossings, overpasses and underpasses.

Students also must be able to operate on the streets and the freeways according to the appropriate speed limits.

Students can either obtain a class "A" or "B" license. Class "A" licenses are for those who operate equipment over ten tons, such as a tow tractor or rail vehicle. Class "B" licenses are for people who operate a bus.

"We're very confident in what we do," says Assistant Manager Demetrius Jones. "We know what it takes to pass and we do it very well."

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