4 Employees, STIP Team Honored for 3rd Quarter

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(June 25, 2003) Four employees and the 10-member State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) team have been named "Employee of the Quarter" for the third quarter of FY 2003.

The STIP team was honored for putting together a funding proposal to guarantee the delivery of MTA's highest priority regional transit projects. Due to the state's budget crisis, four critical projects were facing delays that could have severely jeopardized matching federal funds or could have raised the cost of the projects.

Members of the team are David Yale, Renee Berlin, Toye Oyewole, Mary Lou Williams, Gloria Anderson, Lori Huddleston, Suah Pak, Linda Hui, Kathleen McCune and Michael Turner.

Kathleen Kenealy was named by Operations for developing software that automates the bidding scheduling and payroll process for the Schedule Checking Department. Her program is estimated to have saved the department more than \$5,000 in FY 2003 and continued savings of more than \$25,000 a year.

Trudy Sealey and Bernard Noriega were selected by Operations for their work as equipment records specialists at Arthur Winston Division 5. With three of the division's five specialists on sick leave, the pair took the initiative to ensure that all vacant shifts were covered. They often worked double shifts seven days a week to provide necessary coverage and to make sure that the division's goals were met.

Raul Gonzalez, a senior systems analyst, was nominated by Procurement for developing production and management reports in addition to supporting the FIS Procurement module, all while juggling numerous requests from Procurement and Material.

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