

GFX Coverage: Seattle Named No. 1 Fleet Among 100 Best Fleets for 2012

June 20, 2012 Government Fleet

DENVER – The City of Seattle’s Fleet Management Division (FMD) was named the No. 1 Fleet out of the 100 Best Fleets list for 2012 at Government Fleet Expo on Wednesday, June 20. Tom Johnson introduced the award ceremony for the 100 Best Fleets and Top 20 Fleets. The 2012 awards were sponsored by INVERS and Property Room. The 100 Best Fleets is organized by *Government Fleet* magazine in partnership with Tom Johnson.

During the ceremony, the 100 Best Fleets for 2012 were named and representatives from the fleets were called up to the stage to accept their award certificates. In addition, the Top 20 Fleets and their respective achievements were named. The Top 20 Fleets, and the 2012 Elite Fleets, are listed below.

During 2011 and previous years, Seattle’s FMD made numerous investments in technology, from automating the City’s motor pool, upgrading the City’s fuel management software, and implementing purchasing and work order management modules after a major computer upgrade for the entire division, all in order to drive greater efficiencies.

The FMD conducted a fleet utilization study that resulted in millions of dollars in current and future cost savings from a reduced fleet size. Overall, the City eliminated 255 vehicles, trucks, and equipment in 2011. The division also identified an additional 17 fleet reductions in early 2012. Since 2009, the City has reduced its fleet size by 10 percent.

Training and education was a focus for FMD staff. Individuals invested heavily in education and training, earning fleet industry certifications, administrative and business certifications, and advanced degrees.

Also, through a grant from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), Seattle’s FMD spearheaded the City’s effort to install electric vehicle charging stations, installing 26 at the City’s newly automated motor pool, and another 40 stations at public and City-owned sites. The City was also able to purchase 10 hybrid-electric trucks and 38 all-electric Nissan LEAF sedans. Of the LEAFs, 26 are set for the City’s motor pool and the remaining 12 will go to 10 other City departments. So far, the motor pool’s LEAFs have traveled more than 40,000 miles and have eliminated the need to purchase 800 gallons of petroleum fuel.

"I've had the good fortune to have a strong team that does [good] work," said Dave Seavey, director of the City of Seattle's fleet management division.

Below is the list of the Top 20 fleets out of the 100 Best for 2012. Note that in terms of rankings, two fleets tied for the number 10 position.

1-City of Seattle, Fleet Management Division, Washington

2-City of Columbus Division of Fleet Management, Ohio

3-City of Culver City, California

4-Denver Fleet Management Division, Colorado

5-City of Rochester, NY Equipment Services, New York

6-City of Conroe, Texas

7-City of Mesa, Fleet Services Department, Arizona

8-City of Sacramento, General Services – Fleet, California

9-City of Fort Worth, Texas

10-City of Colorado Springs (tie for 10th), Colorado

10-Facilities, Fleet and Central Stores Division, City of Santa Ana (tie for 10th), California

11-NA due to 10th place tie

12-City of Bellevue, Washington

13-City of Edmonton - Fleet Services, Alberta, Canada

14-City of Fort Lauderdale Fleet Services, Florida

15-Prince George's County, Fleet Management Division, Office of Central Services, Maryland

16-Dakota County Fleet Management, Minnesota

17-City of Moline Fleet Services, Illinois

18-Austin Fleet Services, Texas

19-City of Fort Wayne, Indiana

20-King County Fleet Administration, Washington

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2012 Government Fleet '100 Best Fleets' Announced

April 20, 2012

TORRANCE, CA - *Government Fleet* magazine and the 100 Best Fleets announced the Top 100 fleets for 2012. The awards program, sponsored by INVERS Mobility Solutions and Property Room, recognizes leading fleets from across the country.

The top 20 fleets will be announced at the [Government Fleet Expo & Conference](#) in Denver June 18-20. All the Top 100 fleets will be honored during a special breakfast ceremony.

The judges for this year's program were Samuel Lamerato, City of Troy, Mich.; Steve Riley, City of Coral Gables, Fla.; John Hunt, City of Portland, Ore., and Bob Stanton, Hillsborough County, Fla.

The 100 Best Fleets (*Alphabetical Order*)

72nd LRS/LGRV, Tinker Air Force Base (Oklahoma) - Victoria Hoppes

Alabama Department of Transportation (Alabama) - Ronald Pruitt

Alachua County Fleet Management (Florida) - Gerald D. Bailey

Alameda County (California) - Douglas Bond

Arapahoe County (Colorado) - Randy Campbell

Atlantic County Utilities Authority (New Jersey) - Gene Petitt

Augusta-Richmond County (Georgia) - Ron Crowden

Broward Sheriff's Office (Florida) - Scott Barnett, Fleet Director

Canyon County Fleet (Idaho) - Mark Tolman

Citrus County Fleet Maintenance (Florida) - Lon Frye

City of Ames (Iowa) - Paul Hinderaker

City of Austin Fleet Services (Texas) - Gerald "Gerry" Calk

City of Bellevue (Washington) - Peter Bednar

City of Beverly Hills (California) - Rene Biadoma

City of Boise (Idaho) - Craig Croner

City of Chicago, Department of Fleet and Facility Management (Illinois) - Walter West

City of Chico (California) - Erik Gustafson

City of College Station (Texas) - Bill Johnson

City of Colorado Springs (Colorado) - Tom Monarco

City of Columbus Division of Fleet Management (Ohio) - Kelly Reagan

City of Concord (North Carolina) - Daniel Nuckolls

City of Conroe (Texas) - Tom Higgs

City of Culver City (California) - Paul Condran

City of Dublin (Ohio) - James Darryl Syler

City of Edmonton - Fleet Services (Alberta, Canada) - Steve Rapanos

City of Eugene (Oregon) - Tony Jobanek

City of Fairfield (California) - David Renschler

City of Fargo (North Dakota) - Harold Pedersen

City of Fayetteville (Arkansas) - Dennis Pratt

City of Fort Collins (Colorado) - Tracy Ochsner

City of Fort Lauderdale Fleet Services (Florida) - John L. Rencher

City of Fort Wayne (Indiana) - Larry Campbell CFPF

City of Fort Worth (Texas) - Wayne Corum

City of Glendale (California) - Karl Vogeley

City of Goodyear (Arizona) - Richard Sweepe

City of Henderson - Public Works / Fleet (Nevada) - Robert Murnane, P.E.

City of Huntington Beach (California) - Robert L. LaRoche

City of Irving Fleet Services (Texas) - Ramiro Lopez

City of Lakeland Fleet Management (Florida) - Gary McLean

City of Little Rock Fleet Services Department (Arkansas) - Wendell Jones

City of Long Beach Fleet Services (California) - Leslie Horikawa

City of Mesa, Fleet Services Department (Arizona) - Peter Scarafiotti MEng. CAFM, CEM, CFPF.

City of Moline Fleet Services (Illinois) - J.D. Schulte

City of Oceanside (California) - Jeffery Hart

City of Orlando (Florida) - David L. Dunn, CFM

City of Riverside (California) - Kristine Martinez

City of Rochester Equipment Services (New York) - Michael Quattrone

City of Sacramento - General Services - Fleet (California) - Keith Leech

City of San Clemente (California) - Mark Murphy

City of Santa Ana, Facilities, Fleet and Central Stores Division (California) - Rick Longobart

City of Seattle (Washington) - Dave Seavey

City of Sioux City (Iowa) - Curt Miller

City of Tamarac (Florida) - Vince Sciacca

City of Tampa, Public Works Department, Fleet Management Division (Florida) - Tim Perry

City of Tempe (Arizona) - Aaron Alvarado

City of Thornton (Colorado) - Jim Gilbert

City of Thousand Oaks (California) - Larry McKinney

City of Tulsa, Equipment Management Department (EMD) (Oklahoma) - Brent Jones

City of Vancouver - Equipment Services (British Columbia, Canada) - Doug C. Smith

Collier County (Florida) - Daniel A. Croft

County of Riverside Purchasing & Fleet Services (California) - Robert J. Howdysshell

County of San Diego (California) - Sharyl Blackington

County of Sonoma Fleet Operations (California) - David Head

Dakota County Fleet Management (Minnesota) - Kevin L. Schlangen, CPFP

DeKalb County PW- Fleet Management (Georgia) - Greg Brake

Denver Fleet Management Division (Colorado) - Ernie Ivy

Eugene Water & Electric Board (Oregon) - Gary Lentsch

Forest Preserve District of DuPage County (Illinois) - Michael R. Webster

Harford County Government (Maryland) - Warren Patrick

Houston Independent School District (Texas) - Mark Swackhamer

Indianapolis Fleet Services (Indiana) - Bill Rogers

Kentucky Division of Fleet Management (Kentucky) - Pete McDonald

King County Fleet Administration (Washington) - Jennifer Lindwall

Manatee County Fleet Services (Florida) - Michael J. Brennan, CEM

Minnesota Dept. of Natural Resources (Minnesota) - Dave Schiller

Monroe County Fleet (New York) - Mr. Melvin Rose

Montgomery County (Maryland) - Michael Atkinson

NASA (Florida) - NASA Kennedy Space Center

NDDOT State Fleet Services (North Dakota) - Paul Hanson

New York City Department of Citywide Administrative Services (New York) - City of New York Fleet

New York City Police Department (New York) - Gregory Dimesa

Orange County Sanitation District (California) - Chuck Forman

Palm Beach County (Florida) - Douglas Weichman CAFM

Palm Beach Sheriff's Office (Florida) - Alan Lane

Pasco County Fleet Management (Florida) - Stephen R. McNaughton, CAFM

Prince George's County, Fleet Management Division, Office of Central Services (Maryland) - Richard Hilmer

Prince William County Department of Public Works-Fleet Management Division (Virginia) - Matthew F. Villareale

San Antonio Water System (Texas) - David Allen Kilbourne

San Bernardino County Fleet Management (California) - Roger Weaver

Sandia National Laboratories (New Mexico) - Mark Crawford

SRP (Arizona) - Jim Wood

State of Colorado Department of Personnel & Administration (Colorado) - Art Hale

State of Delaware Office of Fleet Management (Delaware) - D. Terry Barton

Town of Buckeye (Arizona) - Michael DePaulo,CPFP

Town of Jonesborough Fleet Maintenance (Tennessee) - Gary Lykins

UC Davis (California) - Richard Battersby

UC San Diego (California) - Jim Ruby

University of Washington (Washington) - Ron Kahler

Wake County (North Carolina) - Thomas Kuryla

Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) (Washington) - Greg Hansen

Elite Fleets

2011 No. 1 - City of Portland, Ore.

2010 No. 1 - City of Troy, Mich.

2008 and 2009 No. 1 - Hillsborough County, Fla.

2007 No. 1 - Volusia County, Fla.

Honorable Mentions

Alameda County Public Works Agency (California) - Keith LaHaie

City of Anaheim Fleet & Facility Services (California) - Julie Lyons

City of Littleton, CO (Colorado) - Alan Brown

City of Marietta/BLW (Georgia) - Scott Lawler

City of Naples (Florida) - Ray (Buddy) Bennett

City of Peoria (Arizona) - City of Peoria Fleet Services

City of Tacoma (Washington) - Frederick Chun

DC Water (District of Columbia) - OZ Fuller

Fort Meade DOL (Maryland) - Jeff Iafrati

Fort Riley/GSA (Kansas) - Neal Carson

JBLM Wheeled Vehicle Maintenance (Washington) - Michor Gentemann

Jefferson County (Colorado) - Buck Benke

Knox County Fleet Service Center (Tennessee) - Phillip May

Knoxville Utilities Board (Tennessee) - Jamie Davis

Minnehaha County Highway Department (South Dakota) - DJ Buthe

Town of Fishers (Indiana) - Keith Condra