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## **MST HIGHLIGHTS APRIL 13, 2009 BOARD MEETING**

### **APRIL EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH**

The MST Board adopted Resolution 2009-22 recognizing Angelina Ruiz, Human Resources Administrator, as Employee of the Month for April 2009. One of Angelina's key responsibilities within the HR Department is to manage the Drug & Alcohol Program. In August of 2008, the Federal Transit Administration conducted an audit of MST's Drug and Alcohol Program. During the audit, the FTA not only looked at the records of MST but also the records of our contractors and vendors. The FTA found MST's program to be in compliance with the Federally-mandated Drug and Alcohol Testing Program. This was in no small part due to Angelina's outstanding diligence and professionalism when keeping on top of our record keeping and in constant communication with our vendors. The FTA audit team leader was so impressed; he submitted her collection site error-tracking log to the audit team and used MST's charts during the annual conference as a "Best Practice" example.

### **SERVICE AWARDS**

The MST Board presented a 30-year service award to Ann Marie Armbruster, Coach Operator; 20-year service award to Arnold Casey, Coach Operator, and a 20-year service award to Renaldo Hernandez, Coach Operator.

### **BUS ENGINE PURCHASE**

The MST Board authorized the purchase of three diesel bus engines from Cummins West at a cost of \$64,827.08.

### **AB644 UPDATE – MONTEREY-SALINAS TRANSIT DISTRICT**

The MST Board: 1) authorized staff to send a letter to TAMC Chair Frank Sollecito requesting that the TAMC Board reconsider the recommendation of the Executive Committee and to support the AB644 with proposed amendment language or support AB644 as originally submitted by MST; 2) authorized the amendment to AB644 as shown in the letter submitted to TAMC; and 3) directed staff to meet with South County City Managers prior to April 24, 2009 in advance of their meeting with Assemblymember Caballero.