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Baltimore Paratransit Service Earns First Veolia Transportation Sustainable Development Award

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS – Veolia Transportation presented its first annual Sustainable Development Award to Marlon Bates, Veolia General Manager for Baltimore Paratransit operations, and Steve Shaw, Veolia Regional Vice President for the North Eastern region.

The presentation took place in Baltimore on Earth Day. The Baltimore location was selected for this prestigious first award because of their work in implementing 29 fuel-efficient Dodge Sprinters in Veolia's paratransit contract with the Baltimore City Health Department.

Veolia's Baltimore management team was also selected for this award because of their commitment to sustainability, which is a major priority of the company. In the last year, in addition to the fuel-efficient Sprinter program, they implemented biofuels in the vast majority of their vehicles operated on several contracts. They also adopted the use of environmentally-friendly cleaning products and continue to focus on "green" behaviors in their offices and maintenance shops.

Marlon Bates and his team selected the Sprinter for their contract with the Baltimore City Health Department. This contract is for medical assistance service and makes 900 trips per day, carrying passengers to and from medical appointments. They selected the Sprinter for its fuel economy, and greater mileage between maintenance.

According to Bates, "the vehicles consistently attain two and one half times the fuel mileage. With this savings and the increased mileage between preventative maintenance, I'm confident that the Dodge Sprinter was the right choice. We at Veolia are committed to doing the right thing for the environment."

Sprinter vehicles are reported to operate 10,000 miles before a service oil change and 60,000 miles before an engine and transmission service, making it a highly efficient vehicle to operate. The Dodge Sprinter emits 56% less CO2 per vehicle mile than a cutaway vehicle powered by a Ford 6.0L diesel engine, and 53% less CO2 per vehicle mile than a cutaway vehicle powered by a Ford 6.8L gasoline engine.

Shaw said, "While there is limited history in the US we anticipate they will have a longer life cycle than the typical cutaway – they are very well constructed. "We are so impressed with this vehicle that we've ordered thirteen more for our other Baltimore Bus operations. When those arrive in July we will have 42 Sprinter vehicles in the Baltimore metropolitan area, all displaying our Veolia logo. Our focus on reducing emissions and increasing fuel economy complements our efforts to build green offices and green maintenance shops."

The award was presented by Rudy Woodward, Vice President of Technical Services for Veolia, Janet Cathey, National Accounts Sales Manager for Daimler Chrysler Bus, NA and Brendan Matthews, Regional Maintenance Director for Veolia.

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