JUNE EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

The MST Board adopted Resolution 2007-24 recognizing Michelle Di Pretoro, Senior Maintenance Clerk, as MST Employee of the Month for June 2007. During a recent fuel delivery, the vendor’s truck driver was preparing to unload 650 gallons of gasoline into MST’s underground storage tank. The tank was already partially full and set off the warning alarm, which Michelle quickly acted upon. Due to her quick thinking and fast actions, she averted a potential major fuel spill. This action avoided a disaster, which may have resulted in fire, injuries, loss of equipment and heavy fines.

24-YEAR SERVICE AWARD

The MST Board recognized Stanislaw Badowski, Intermediate Mechanic, for 24-years of service. Mr. Badowski started at MST as a Coach Operator and worked his way up to the Intermediate Mechanic position. The Board wished him well on his retirement.

DUMP THE PUMP DAY

The MST Board adopted Resolution 2007-25 declaring June 21, 2007 as National “Dump The Pump” day. This day is dedicated to raising awareness that public transportation helps improve the environment and conserve fuel. It also offers the opportunity for people to beat the high price of gasoline and support public transportation as an important travel option that helps reduce dependence on foreign oil.

PURCHASE OF SECURITY CAMERAS

The MST Board authorized the $184,726.84 purchase of a security camera system for 21 buses from GE Security, Inc.

MST currently has a security camera system from GE Security on 44 buses and trolleys. This same systems is already in place at both operating divisions, at the Salinas Transit Center, and will be installed at the Marina Transit Exchange.

LINE 7 MONTEREY-CARMEL via CHOMP

The MST Board approved line 7 Monterey-Carmel via CHOMP demonstration project.

A public/private partnership with CHOMP has been proposed to fund a new fixed route transit line demonstration project that would serve the hospital every half hour between 9am and 5pm on weekdays. Line 7 Monterey-Carmel via CHOMP would provide
customers a direct link between the hospital and the communities of Carmel and Monterey without having to call ahead for DART service. This new demonstration project would be scheduled to begin service on Monday, July 2, 2007.