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The City of Denton Fleet Services selected Top 20 Fleets in North America

Denton, TX – The City of Denton Fleet Services division has been selected as number 20 out of the Top 100 Fleets in North America. The 100 Best Fleets program operates in partnership with *Government Fleet* magazine, a national publication which annually recognizes peak performing fleet operations throughout North America.

“Being in a serious non-attainment region for air quality, the City of Denton has long been committed to the goals of energy efficiency and environmental protection, and we have undertaken many sustainability initiatives in the last several years aimed at minimizing energy consumption, reducing our municipal emissions, and facilitating green building initiatives,” stated Mayor Mark Burroughs. “Our Fleet Services division has been on the cutting edge of alternative fuel usage, and this year we opened up an alternative fuel station, which is dispensing 85% Ethanol (E85) and 20% Bio-Diesel (B20). The station will be used by the City fleet vehicles, including 38 flex-fuel vehicles and 150 alternative fuel vehicles currently owned and operated by the City. So, this Top 20 fleet designation validates our sustainability efforts.”

From three thousand six hundred (3,600) applicants, the City of Denton was selected as number 20 and recognized this year in San Diego, CA, as one of the outstanding fleet operations in the country. The City of Denton Fleet department has been recognized within the top 100 Fleets for the previous three years.

The Fleet Services division has increased in-sourcing operations, minimized downtime, and developed an in-house mentoring program designed to increase productivity and efficiency,” said Mike Ellis, Fleet Superintendent. “Due to these innovations, our division has saved the city \$694,000. I think this Top 20 designation is reflective of the commitment of Fleet Services staff, and City leadership to finding innovative and effective ways to get our business done.”

Selections from fleet applications from all over North America were made by a panel of judges from past award-winning municipalities rating criteria which included:

- Accountability
- Use of Technology Implementation
- Evidence of a High Trust Culture
- Performance Recognition
- Collaboration
- Creativity
- Quick/Efficient Turnaround
- Competitive Pricing
- Staff Development
- Celebration

The 100 Best Fleets will be itemized in the November/December 2011 issue of *Government Fleet* magazine. Any qualified government employee can obtain a free copy of the magazine by going to www.fleet-central.com, clicking on Government Fleet, then on Subscribe.

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