

DGS Side-by-Side

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DGS CONSOLIDATION GETS UNDERWAY

A new era is dawning for the California Department of General Services. For the first time in its nearly 39-year history, the DGS will be operating the bulk of its Sacramento operations from one location.

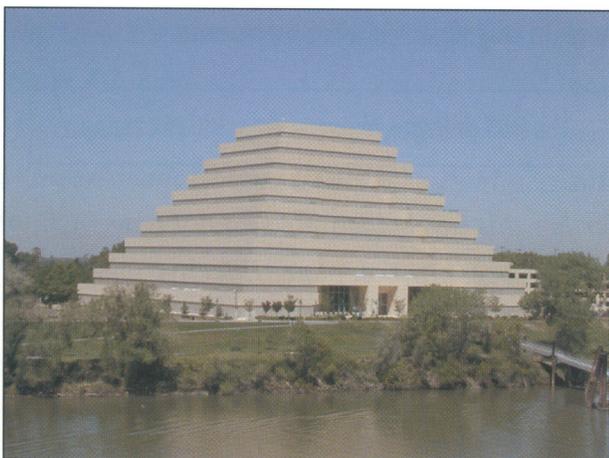
Approximately 1,200 DGS employees will start moving into the Ziggurat building in West Sacramento beginning the second weekend of November. The move is scheduled to be completed by mid-December.

The consolidation effort, which will lead to better support, coordination, teamwork and communication for DGS employees, and better service for DGS customers, has been one of the most ambitious undertakings in DGS history.

"This massive relocation job had one of the tightest time frames imaginable," said DGS Real Estate Services Division (RES D) Project Manager



Workers put the finishing touches on the Zig's interior.



DGS VISION

The DGS delivers tomorrow's solutions today.

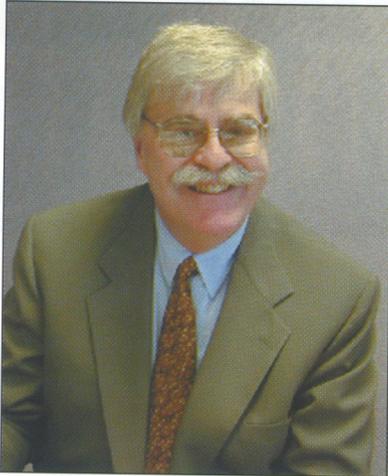
Gary Munguia. "In less than one year we went from signing a lease to backing-up the moving vans!" Munguia praises the "can do" attitudes of everyone involved including the RESD design team, as well as other DGS offices including the Office of Technology Resources, and the Business Services Office.

The move to the 320,000 square foot, 10-story building will consolidate 85 percent of our Sacramento employees.

So far, the most often-asked questions by DGS employees moving to the Zig revolve around getting to and from work, and the parking situation. For the

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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



MOVING CLOSER TO OUR GOAL OF 'ONE DGS'

As the business manager for the State of California, the DGS delivers numerous services to state agencies: real estate, purchasing, fleet, printing, telecommunications and public school funding, just to name a few. And, based on feedback from our customers, we usually deliver them pretty well. Nevertheless, I strongly believe our department needs to:

1. Interact in a **consistent** manner with all our customers (whatever the service), and
2. Improve the **coordination** of our more complex services (those that involve multiple offices).

We have chosen the phrase *One DGS* as our guiding principle and ultimate goal. The theme of *One DGS*—a commitment to seamless and excellent customer services founded on individual employee empowerment—remains a key management goal. But now there is another goal of at least equal, perhaps even overriding, importance. It is incorporated in our new Vision Statement:

The DGS delivers tomorrow's solutions today.

*To further this newly identified goal, I have instituted a management re-organization plan. Effective immediately, the DGS has a Chief Deputy of Internal Affairs, **Dennis Dunne**, and a Chief Deputy of External Affairs, **Rosamond Bolden**.*



Internal Affairs will focus on day-to-day management operations and, generally, matters of infrastructure. Its Chief Deputy shall chair the **Operating Team** and manage the **Real Estate Services Division**; the **Management Services Division**; the **Telecommunications Division**; a reconstituted **Special Services Division** (formerly Inter-agency Support Division); the **Chief Information Officer**, and the **Office of Energy Management**. The new **Special Services Division** includes the Offices of: **Legislation**; **Public Affairs**; **Public School Construction**; **Enterprise Business**; and **Research, Planning and Measurement**.

External Affairs will focus on the identification and development of innovative methodologies and, generally, matters of non-infrastructure related services. Its Chief Deputy, on behalf of the Director, will serve on boards and commissions, exercising the Director's vote thereon, including the **State Allocation Board**; the **Public Works Board**; the **Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board**; the **Public Works Contract Arbitration Committee**;

and the **Del Mar Race Track Leasing Commission and Race Track Authority**. Additionally, this position will manage the **Procurement Division**, including the **Office of Small Business Certification and Resources**; the Offices of: **State Publishing**; **Fleet Administration**; **Equal Employment Opportunity**; **Marketing**; **Administrative Hearings**; and **Audit Services**.

What does this mean in simplest terms? As a department, we must strive to establish “**across the board**” expectations in key areas. These areas include customer service, employee training, manager development, internal communication, external communication and other matters we will all work to identify in the coming months. None of these subjects should be dependent on which DGS office you are talking about. By focusing on consistency in all these areas throughout the DGS, we can become, even more than we are today, an organization composed of employees who are: **fully prepared and ready to work together to deliver services and solutions to our customers**.

In other words, when we become “One DGS” we will all do our jobs better.



Barry D. Keene



“ONE DGS” IN ACTION

One of the goals of “**One DGS**” is to work together to produce even better results for our customers. Here are just a couple of recent examples of what is being achieved through inter-departmental cooperation and partnerships:

- Thanks to the combined efforts of the Real Estate Services Division (RESA) and the Office of Legal Services (OLS), escrow recently closed on what is the largest-ever sale of surplus property in state history. The sale of surplus state land at the former West Agnews Developmental Center in Santa Clara netted the state \$149 million. Enhancements to the Silicon Valley property—overseen by **Frank Davidson** and **John Brooks** of RESA and **Ron Small** of



That's a BIG check!

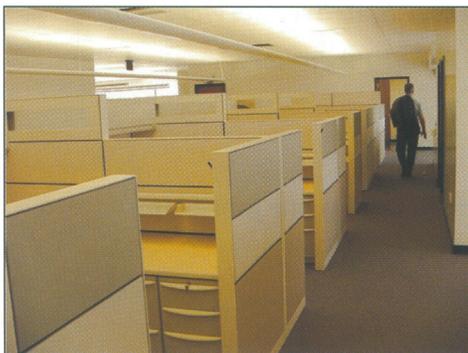


Working together for a better 9-1-1 contract agreement. From l to r: Barry Hemphill, TD Deputy Director; George Hardin, TD Telecomm Manager; Bill Shelton, PD Major Acquisitions; Ralph Chandler, PD Deputy Director.

- OLS—significantly increased the final sales price.
- The Procurement Division (PD) and Telecommunications Division (TD) partnered to design a new contract for the purchase of 9-1-1 equipment and services. The Master Purchase Agreement crafted by the PD and TD means more competitive procurement, and it promises the state, and taxpayers, will save millions of dollars through lowered costs.

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Approximately 1,300 work stations are in the final stages of installation at the building.

many employees who utilize mass transit, the DGS has negotiated free shuttle service from major Regional Transit bus and light rail stations in the downtown Sacramento area. There is also adequate parking at the building to accommodate all employees who desire it. Spaces are \$50 per month (or \$75 for a reserved slot).

More information on commuting, as well as other Frequently Asked Questions about the Zig, will be updated on the DGS Intranet site.

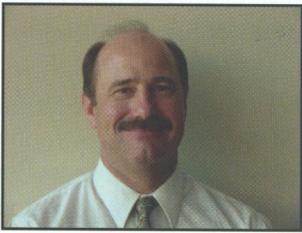
A few ZigFacts:

- Home to approximately 1,200 DGS employees
- 320,000 square feet and 10-stories
- Frequent shuttle connections from RT stations in downtown Sac
- More than 1,600 parking spaces in Zig garage
- Approximately 1,300 workstation “cubes”
- A great place to work



DGS EMPLOYEES HONORED FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY EFFORTS

A pair of DGS employees were among the more than 200 recipients of the 21st annual Governor's Employee Safety Awards, which were presented in August at the Sacramento Convention Center. The awards program is administered by the DGS' Office of Risk and Insurance Management.



Michael Moore, Real Estate Services Division Project Director II, was honored for rescuing the driver of a fuel tanker truck that had flipped-over and burst into flames on Interstate 80 near Sacramento.



Teresa Souza, Office of Legal Services Senior Typist, was honored for administering life-saving CPR to a co-worker who had collapsed nearby.

CONGRATS TO BOTH FOR GOING "ABOVE AND BEYOND" THE CALL OF DUTY!

WELCOME TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE



Carol Wilkening has joined the DGS as Special Advisor to the Director. She comes to us from the Department of Justice where she worked for many years as a member of the executive staff of the Criminal Division. Carol has degrees in sociology and psychology from the University of Missouri at Kansas City and a Master of Public Administration from the USC School of Policy, Planning and Development.

LONG TIME DGS EMPLOYEE LEADS PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION



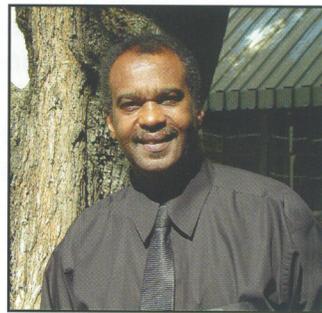
Luisa Park is the new Executive Officer of the DGS Office of Public School Construction (OPSC). Prior to her appointment in September, Luisa spent 18 years in various management roles at OPSC including Acting Exec Officer where she demonstrated thoughtful, aggressive, and creative responses to the many challenges and controversies inherent in the construction of public schools throughout California.

Luisa Park began her public service with the Public Employees Retirement System in 1977, then transferred to the Division of the State Architect, and in 1981, she joined the OPSC (formerly known as the Office of Local Assistance.)

The OPSC administers various state funding programs for school construction projects.

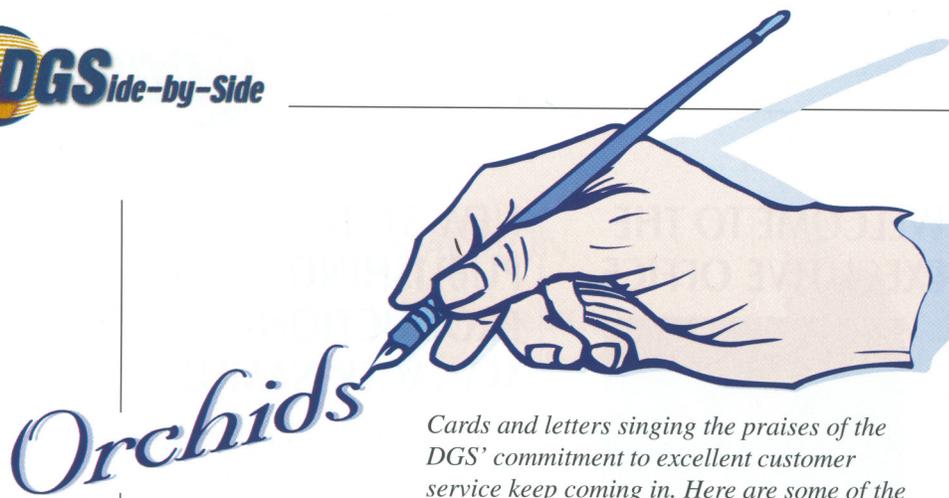
NEW STATE PUBLISHING PRODUCTION MANAGER NAMED

Joe Hills has been named Production Manager for the DGS' Office of State Publishing (OSP). Joe has 35 years experience in the printing industry including the operation of his own printing business and teaching printing classes.



Joe will serve as the second-in-command at the OSP under the State Printer and will have oversight of approximately 400 employees working in planning, pre-press, press, bindery, warehouse and machine shop.





Orchids

Cards and letters singing the praises of the DGS' commitment to excellent customer service keep coming in. Here are some of the latest...

Vera Fernandez and Holly Wedding of the new **Enterprise Business Office (EBO)** are having fun with the customer service aspects of their jobs. A happy customer and Holly both agree that Vera is "an outstanding employee!" The customer accessed the new, online eBusiness Center to use the eLicense section to renew her RN license. She was very happy with the expedient service and exemplary assistance, saying, "I greatly appreciate your assistance and the ease of this new service for renewing our licenses."

The **Office of Fleet Administration (OFA)** is making many customers happy with the likes of the very "resourceful" **Brian Owens**. **Max Ballesteros** has "gone beyond the call of duty in his attempt to facilitate a resolution to a number of situations confronting (the State Board of Equalization's) move into (a) state building." **Herb Kakizoe** has helped create "such a positive image of (the) department in the eyes of customers." The very supportive, patient, knowledgeable, and professional **Jack Symons** received a compliment from a happy customer. **Justin Potter, Scott Ramos, and Anita Holquinn**

went out of their way and provided exceptional service to a stranded state employee. **Rebecca Peters** has gone out of her way numerous times to assist fellow employees.

The Carlsbad School District expressed its appreciation to **Mahendra Mehta** at the **Division of the State Architect (DSA)** for the "excellent and timely service...in finalizing the Buena Vista Modernization plans."

Chief Counsel Jeff Marschner and **Laurie Giberson** of the **Office of Legal Services (OLS)** were "extremely helpful" in getting services ready in the Consumer Assistance Program.

The Real Estate Services Division's (RESD) Colin Robbins and Christopher Rey have "managed to survive every day and still have the courage to come back for more." Their smiles and can-do attitude are much appreciated by their fellow staffers. **Joanna Walker-Harvey** made a customer feel "more educated, and reassured" after meeting with her. **Tony Oreb** fixed the Governor's main entrance doors and impressed the Capitol Historic Region building manager. **Jim Drinkard** received a personal thank you

from Senator Jim Costa for all the hard work he has done in acting as a liaison between DGS and the Senator and his staff. **Lori Uribe** impressed a customer who couldn't "say enough thanks" in response to his timely work.

Carol Loscutt of the **Procurement Division (PD)** fixed a bid document problem in nine minutes flat! And when a customer requested quick information on government purchasing goals and objectives, **Denise Tomskey** was there to respond in less than one hour. **Fran O'Hara** was recently appreciated for her "skill, expertise, and positive attitude" in dealing with a happily satisfied customer. **Mary Purvis** helped develop the cover, layout, and graphics for a major state report. This earned her a big kudos from others helping with the project. **Joyce Henry** gives "WONDERFUL" presentations according to a jubilant attendee. **Kayla Deogarcia-Dann** worked hard to complete a bid and earned herself many thanks in the process. **Janice King and staff** impressed the folks at the Teale Data Center for "diligently and expeditiously seeing (an) amendment through."

The Cal Buy Team of **Terese Butler, Larry Aronson, DeDe Hames, Gloria Santos, Ray Roa, Lynn Wiley, Linda Lange, Kathy Havey, Janine Vine, and Sandy Russell** received a Superior Accomplishment award for their hard work and professionalism. **Marnell Voss** was dubbed "invaluable" by a happy



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customer for her professionalism and successful efforts. **Elaine Hall** was appreciated for her quick and courteous efforts in renewing contracts. **Jana Sharpe** was acknowledged for her "pride in her responsibilities." **Lori Okamoto** gets an Orchid for making a "dry and long" subject "truly enjoyable" to a customer. **Steven Tolle** was appreciated for contributing to the education of the membership of the California Association of Public Purchasing. **Judy Rieck's** professionalism did not go unnoticed in her efforts to coordinate office space availability at the Bonderson Building.

Gloria Anderson and Eileen Ochoa of the **Office of Small Business Certification and Resources (OSBCR)** were recognized for their excellent customer service in quickly expediting certifications for two very important contracts. **Irma Barbosa** has been "unusually helpful and resourceful" in helping the SuggestionBoxx Company get a contract with Parks and Recreation. **Karl West's** attention and assistance was a "crucial step" in completing a certification renewal for a local small business.

Carl Sanchez of the **Office of Risk and Insurance Management (ORIM)** helped support the dedication ceremonies of the new Governor's Office of Emergency Service headquarters at Mather Air Force Base, earning him kudos from the dedication ceremony

committee. Another ORIM customer sends many thanks to **Rich Beck** for being so "extremely knowledgeable and professional" and for being just "one heck of a nice guy."

Acting State Printer **Guy Blair** and staff at the **Office of State Publishing (OSP)** received thanks for the way they "handled the publishing" of the Office of Fleet Administration's "Travel and Transportation Conference" brochures. **Christina Minamora and staff** earned kudos for their "good work and quick turnaround" on the 2001 General Fund Cash Report and the September 2001 Tax Information Bulletin. **Colleen Tschannen** went "beyond the call of duty" to get a project delivered to another happy customer.

Collette Rhoads, Christine Sanchez, Lenora Martinez, Lauri Lathrop, Lori Morgan, David Zian, Luisa Park, Bruce Hancock, and Phil Shearer of the **Office of Public School Construction (OPSC)** received a very warm and gracious thank you for their hard work with the Coachella Valley School District. **Valerie Lane's** "prompt and professional work" has earned her kudos from important clients. The Prairie Vista Middle School feels that without the help and contributions of **Olivia Campos-**

Mulligan their grand opening would not have happened. **Elizabeth Dearstyne** impressed the Yuba City Unified School District for taking the time to discuss and answer their questions.

Sherry Antrim of the **Office of Human Resources (OHR)** received kudos for her excellent service in assisting a fellow employee with a payroll question. **Chris Thomas'** efforts in resolving problems and smoothing out processes are greatly appreciated by one customer.

Rebecca Watkins and Wally Roberts of the **Telecommunications Division (TD)** were congratulated for a "job well done" on working with an important client. **Ritch Hanneman, Al De Keyser, and Ann Plusifer** were also commended for "responding quickly, safely, and effectively" to evacuate and relocate an office after a noxious odor was detected.

Finally, DGS Director **Barry Keene** and the **Executive Office** received special thanks from the California Peace Officers' Memorial Foundation for assistance and support during recent ceremonies for fallen Peace Officers.

Please send your "Orchids" to:

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*A view of
Snow Creek
Watershed from
Highway 28
North.*

DGS WINS ACCLAIM FOR TAHOE PROJECT

By Rhonda Greene, Real Estate Services Division

The DGS and its Real Estate Services Division have been honored by the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) for our role in the California Tahoe Conservancy's Snow Creek Stream and Wetland Restoration Project. The project, which will greatly improve water quality and habitat, recently won the TRPA'S Best of the Basin Award for overall effectiveness, comprehensive design, ease of maintenance and visual quality.

Before restoration, Snow Creek, which is rich with nutrients and sediment, eroded from its drainage areas near the north side's Brockway Summit, and spilled unimpeded into Lake Tahoe. The erosion triggered unnatural levels of algae growth that clouds the lake's pure water. After restoration, with the restored drainage channel and re-established vegetation, runoff from Snow Creek will be slowed and given time to settle out. This will provide a natural filtering function and dramatically reduce the amount of sediment reaching the lake. This will also reduce algae growth and help keep Lake Tahoe's water clear.

The DGS Real Estate Services Division's (RESA) Reg Eden, co-manager of the Restoration Project team, provided valuable leadership and insight into the successful completion of the project. Reg, always the team player, is quick to give credit to RESA's Bob Sleppy and Yvonne Newton who played critical roles during contract negotiations. Also contributing to the success of the project were representatives from several private and government agencies.

Reg was invited by Rick Robinson, Wildlife Program Coordinator for the California Tahoe Conservancy, to be present as part of the team who received the award on October 24th in Lake Tahoe.

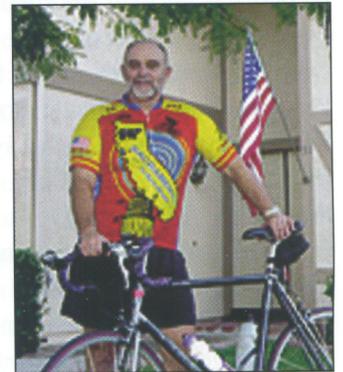
DGS EMPLOYEES HELP VICTIMS OF SEPTEMBER 11 ATTACKS

DGS employees in every Division and Office have been doing whatever they can to help their fellow Americans affected by the tragic events of September 11th. Many staffers have given blood, held office fundraisers or have given personal donations to the American Red Cross and other disaster relief organizations, while others have proudly flown the American flag.

And some employees are going the extra mile, or in the case of Real Estate Services Division Building Manager **Frank Yates**, the extra 3,000 miles. Frank, his daughter, and two sons, are riding their bikes across the U.S. to show support for victims of the terrorist attacks and to raise money for the Twin Towers Orphan Fund.

The Yates family started their trek October 7th with ceremonies at Raley Field in West Sacramento. The next day they traveled to Santa Monica where they officially started pedaling cross-country with plans to arrive in New York on Veteran's Day, November 11th. There they will present a check to the Mayor of New York representing money they have raised along the way.

For more information on their journey, please check out their website at <http://www.freedomrideusa.org>. Good luck Frank, Jenny, David and Scott!



DGS EMPLOYEES MET THE SUMMER ENERGY CHALLENGE; FALL AND WINTER WILL TEST OUR COMMITMENT

Congratulations to all of us at the DGS!

We contributed to the state's success in meeting the energy challenge this summer. This active commitment set an example that helped Californians conserve electricity and prevent rolling blackouts.

This year, the Department and other state offices significantly cut electricity use from January through the end of August compared to the same period in 2000. For example, in monitoring 37 of the state's largest office buildings covering nearly 12 million square feet, the DGS recorded an average 22.4 percent drop in electricity use. Despite hikes in utility rates, the state was still able to save more than \$800,000 in cities such as Sacramento, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland, San Diego, Van Nuys, and Riverside.

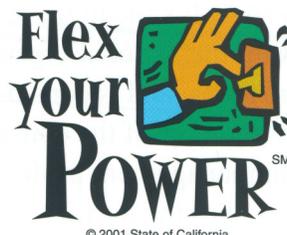
While the state has made extraordinary progress in bringing new power generation on line, the threat of shortages remains real. Conservation, both now and for the long term, will continue to be an important part of the strategy to keep the lights on.

Fall and winter months present challenges just as tough as the summer months. There are increased demands for power across the state for lighting, heating and other priorities. So we cannot let our guard down just because the seasons have changed.

Below are some practical cool weather tips from the Flex Your Power website that will help all of us to continue to save power, save money and continue serving the people of California.

- Set your thermostat to 68 degrees when you're home and 55 degrees at night, or off when you're away.
- Turn off appliances, lights and equipment when not in use.
- To help prevent electricity outages, **do not run large appliances** between 5 a.m.–9 a.m. and 4 p.m.–7 p.m.
- Choose **Energy Star®** products. Purchase compact fluorescent light bulbs. They use a quarter of the energy and last five to ten times longer than conventional light bulbs.
- Reduce your hot water temperature. Set your water heater to the "normal" setting or 120 degrees unless the owner's manual for your dishwasher requires a higher setting.
- Close the damper on your fireplace when you're not using it.

Check out
www.flexyourpower.ca.gov
for more information and
ways to save money!



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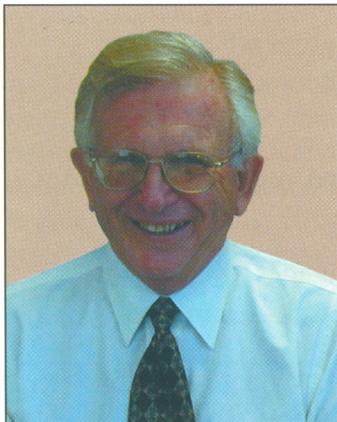


ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR REAL ESTATE APPOINTED

Deborah Hysen has been appointed to the position of Assistant Deputy Director for the DGS Real Estate Services Division where she will work directly with Deputy Director Mike Courtney. Prior to her current appointment, Deborah served as Building and Property Management (BPM) Assistant Chief since October 2000, and has been with BPM since accepting a position with the State in 1997.



DGS HONORED FOR CONSTRUCTION AND FLEET MANAGEMENT PRACTICES



The DGS was honored recently with a pair of awards for excellence in construction management and fleet management.

The Construction Management Association of America (CMAA) selected Chief Deputy Director **Dennis Dunne** as a Fellow of the CMAA. It's the highest award the national organization gives, and is considered the pinnacle of the construction management profession.

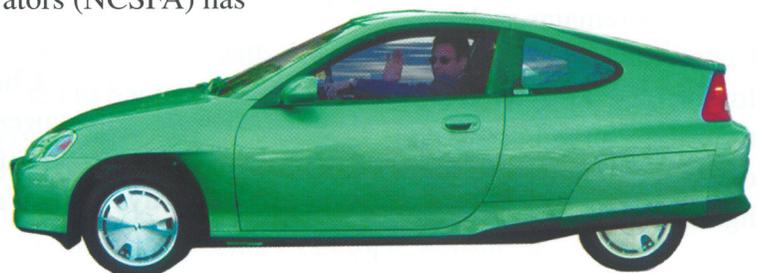
"For the past 22 years Dennis Dunne has been

creating, organizing, directing and consulting with large, and complex public sector facility departments," said the CMAA. "Thanks to Dennis, the majority of these organizations have moved toward a customer-driven, continuously improving and integrated asset management, space management, planning, design, construction, and maintenance approach."

Dennis, who was honored at the group's national convention in October, is the first-ever member of the public sector to be named a CMAA Fellow.

The National Conference of State Fleet Administrators (NCSFA) has

honored the DGS and its Office of Fleet Administration with the 2001 Honda Environmental Leadership Award for outstanding accomplishments in the field of environmental quality. The NCSFA was impressed with the DGS' leadership in promoting the use of environment-friendly, alternative-fuel vehicles. Previous winners have included the State of New York and the State of Utah. The DGS is leading the way in reducing pollution in California with more than 1,500 zero-emission or low-emission vehicles currently on the road.





Employment Development Department
State of California



M E M O R A N D U M

To: Barry Keene, Director
Department of General Services, C-01

Date: August 10, 2001

File No.: 62:003js

From: Employment Development Department

Subject: LETTER OF APPRECIATION

If you've recently passed the Employment Development Department building at 722/800 Capitol Mall, you've seen the results of your staff's hard work. We want to express our appreciation for several major accomplishments, and to share our enthusiasm for the additional efforts that are under way.

Department of General Services staff completed an 18-month, \$11 million seismic retrofit project for the building. We are especially pleased that it was completed on schedule and with minimal disruption to our operations. The exterior painting that is in progress will coordinate our color scheme with the Education and State Personnel Board buildings across the street.

Inside, our departments collaborated on a joint project to renovate the auditorium. The new carpet, upholstery, wall covering, and woodwork make it a meeting venue of which the State can be proud. The cafeteria was also refurbished, resulting in a more inviting place for our employees and visitors.

We look forward to upgrades of our lobbies, which began with the installation of attractive new doors, and to completion of a phased project that will make more of our restrooms accessible to individuals with disabilities. The four restrooms completed to date have generated positive comments.

Again, we sincerely appreciate your past efforts and look forward to working with your staff on future projects.



MICHAEL S. BERNICK
Director



SAM RODRIGUEZ
Chief Deputy Director

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EDD & HHS TO DGS: THANKS!

The DGS has a couple of very satisfied customers in two of the largest agencies in state government.

Health and Human Services (HHS) Agency Secretary Grantland Johnson was very appreciative of the DGS' efforts in identifying and quickly mitigating a structural support problem at the Bateson state office building in Sacramento, which houses HHS and several other state departments.

Employment Development Department (EDD) Director Michael Bernick was equally impressed with the results of the DGS-managed seismic retrofit of EDD headquarters.

From EDD "...we sincerely appreciate your past efforts and look forward to working with your staff on future projects..."

And from HHS "...a quality example of excellence in customer service..."



GRAY DAVIS
GOVERNOR

**State of California
Health and Human Services Agency**

GRANTLAND JOHNSON
SECRETARY

Agency Departments & Boards:

- Aging
- Alcohol and Drug Programs
- Child Support Services
- Community Services and Development
- Developmental Services
- Emergency Medical Services Authority
- Employment Development Department
- Health Services
- Health and Human Services Data Center
- Managed Risk Medical Insurance
- Mental Health
- Rehabilitation
- Social Services
- Statewide Health Planning and Development
- Workforce Investment

TO: Bob Courtmier, Chief
Direct Construction
Department of General Services

FROM: GRANTLAND JOHNSON 

DATE: July 19, 2001

SUBJECT: SUPPORT PROVIDED DURING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE BATESON BUILDING

I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge and express my appreciation for the assistance and support provided during the temporary closure of the Bateson Building earlier this month.

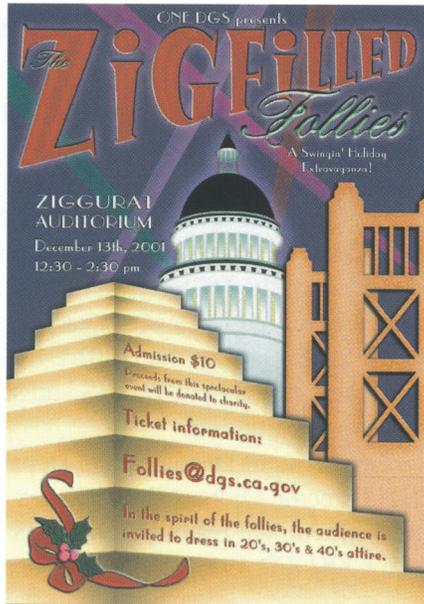
The collaborative spirit which agency and department management and staff displayed in responding to the unexpected disruption and relocation, is a quality example of excellence in customer service. The effort put forth in managing the temporary closure of the building is commendable and demonstrates our commitment to fulfilling our responsibilities as public servants.

The rapid response and attention to the needs of the tenants in the Bateson Building by everyone involved allowed delivery of uninterrupted services to the people of California.

Thank you.

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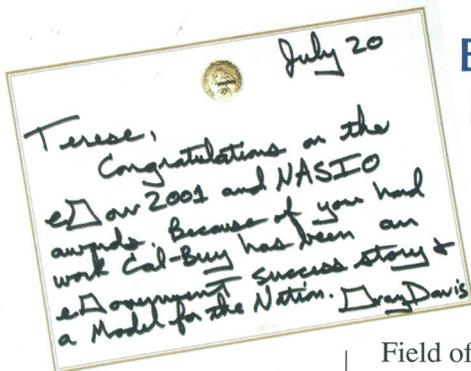


ZIGFILLED FOLLIES

Tickets are on sale for the “ZIGfilled Follies,” a swingin’ holiday extravaganza. Join fellow DGS employees as they present a celebration of the holiday season and a major step toward ONE DGS—the consolidation of operations at the Ziggurat.

Tickets are only \$10 and include a full-length variety show—starring your friends and colleagues—in the Zig auditorium, followed by a cake and punch reception in the famed “Cotton Club.” There will also be door prize drawings, and special drawings for those in costume.

Audience members are encouraged to “dress the part,” in the style of the 1920’s, 30’s or 40’s. For more information, please contact Follies@dgs.ca.gov.



E-PROCUREMENT SYSTEM WINS NATIONAL AWARD

The CAL-Buy Web site (<http://www.calbuy.ca.gov>), administered by the DGS’ Procurement Division, has been honored with an award from the National Association of Chief Information Officers. CAL-Buy’s site was given the award for Outstanding Achievement in the

Field of Information Technology in the Digital Government Category.

CAL-Buy is the state’s new e-Procurement system that automates the purchasing process, making it easier to buy and easier to sell.

Not only is CAL-Buy gaining national attention, it has also caught the eye of Governor Gray Davis. The Governor recently sent a note to CAL-Buy Project Manager **Terese Butler** praising her efforts, and those of the PD/CAL-Buy team, for their hard work and award winning results.



Gray Davis
Governor

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