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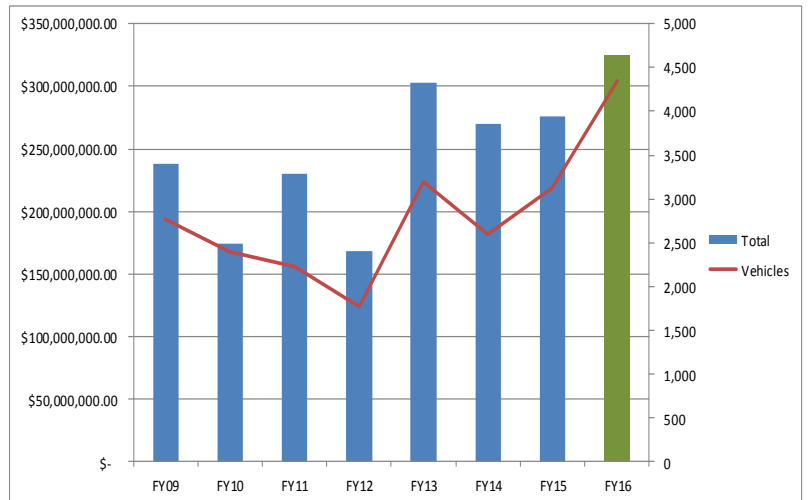
FLEET COMPLETES LARGEST ACQUISITIONS PROGRAM EVER

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FY16 marked the City’s largest investment in fleet equipment ever. Working with fleet agencies, DCAS committed just under \$325 million in new on-road and off-road fleet units. The previous high was the post-Hurricane Sandy program in FY13 of \$303 million.

In total, 4,352 units were procured, an increase of over 1,200 from last year. In the last three fiscal years alone, the City has procured 10,075 additional or replacement fleet units.

The focus on sustainability has continued with a total of 1,015 new alternative fuel vehicles broken down by 775 hybrids, 159 electric vehicles, and 81 plug-in hybrids. Critical agency purchases included 89 new ambulances for FDNY, 1,550 patrol vehicles for NYPD, 190 waste collection trucks for DSNY, 44 Correction busses for inmate transport, 33 tractor trucks and 5 cement distribution trucks for DOT, 9 tree trimmer trucks for Parks, and 28 upstate environmental police vehicles for DEP.



Fleet equipment is the backbone of city operations. Working with OMB, we are ensuring the City has safe, green, and effective fleet units for many years ahead. Thanks and congratulations to the staffs at OMB, DCAS Procurement, DCAS Fleet and the specifications teams at the major fleet agencies.

FLEET SPOTLIGHT: ANTHONY DELL’ERA & FIDELIS UTULU

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Buying fleet equipment is not the same as shopping at a dealership for a new car. DCAS and agency fleets must prioritize equipment needs, establish funding, prepare detailed specifications for the operations the equipment supports, work with DCAS to bid out the equipment, and inspect the units for contract compliance before accepting them for use.

This week’s fleet spotlight is on Anthony Dell’Era and Fidelis Utulu, two Inspectors with the Bureau of Quality Assurance (BQA) at DCAS. They travel all over the country conducting inspections that determine vehicles’ fitness for service in accordance with contract specifications. They are required to inspect “anything with an engine, from scooters to boats in the harbor” before being brought into City operations.

Many of the orders for FDNY, NYPD, DSNY, DOT, and other agencies are highly customized. Critical to the inspection process is the “pilot inspection” or determining if the first vehicle built in a set has met safety and contract specifications before the entire order is fulfilled by the vendor. Anthony and Fidelis just completed pilot inspections in Wisconsin for FDNY ladder trucks and in Tennessee for a 16 ton wrecker for DOT. Currently, they have plans to travel to Oklahoma to inspect specialty busses for DOC.

Fidelis has worked for BQA for 15 years, with over 15 additional years of prior quality assurance experience in the private sector. Anthony has been with BQA for over seven years, having spent three years prior to that with NYCHA. In the time that they are off the clock, you’ll find Fidelis at the beach or playing soccer, while Anthony enjoys riding his motorcycle and spending time with his wife. Both played a major role in our largest fleet procurement year ever.