



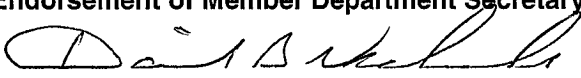
Transportation Vanguard Award Nomination Form

2014

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Using a maximum of 2 additional single-sided pages, please provide reasoning as to why this individual should be selected as the Transportation Vanguard Award recipient. Please include as much specific information about the candidate as possible, including special projects, personal attributes, dedication, etc.

Send nominations by **Friday, September 26, 2014**, via e-mail to mvitale@ashto.org. Nominations must be submitted as a single file in MS Word format using **TVA2014_Nomination_Nominee_Name.doc** as the file name.

2014 Transportation Vanguard Award Nomination

Marc Lewis, Missouri Department of Transportation

To members of the special panel:

As Marc Lewis' immediate supervisor, it is a pleasure to nominate him for AASHTO's 2014 Transportation Vanguard Award. Marc exemplifies the criteria of one who is at the forefront of new developments and technologies and who has a commitment to excellence and implementation of innovative technologies and processes. His contributions support and benefit not only the 746 employees among the 21 counties of MoDOT's Southwest District, but employees throughout the state.

Marc assumed his leadership role in early 2012 and immediately started implementing his vision for the Southwest District Information Systems department. Rather than taking a business-as-usual approach, Marc recognizes the need to embrace and broaden the use of technology in our daily work. His ability to demonstrate the power of various technologies and—more importantly—simplify them for our use has helped us become more efficient and productive at a time when fewer and fewer resources are at our disposal.

Marc has taken a lead role in the implementation of tablets for use by Construction and Materials employees throughout the department. This technology enables inspectors to complete more tasks at the job site rather than traveling back to the project office, allowing more time for oversight and increased availability to contractors.

Marc Lewis is a fantastic team player. He has led the way on the roll out of the Construction tablets and volunteered to help with two training sessions for the Construction staff. He has been instrumental in helping us ensure the success of this program.

Beth Ring, Information Systems Director, MoDOT Central Office

Marc is an adamant supporter of technology in Construction and Materials and has worked with us to put tablets in the hands of our inspectors.

Steve Campbell, P.E., District Construction and Materials Engineer, MoDOT Southwest District

The Construction department truly appreciates everything Marc does, from tablets to software. His level of responsiveness is second to none.

Jason Evenden, P.E., Assistant District Construction and Materials Engineer, MoDOT Southwest District

Marc frequently assists MoDOT's Maintenance leadership with projects to improve departmental planning and organization and to streamline processes. His contributions include supporting a statewide team tasked with improving the organization, appearance, and functionality of SharePoint sites for Maintenance, developing interconnected calendars for the scheduling and monitoring of various

Maintenance work activities, and automating technical work zone inspection submittals. He also automated the process used by Maintenance employees to request pre-approved leave time during snow-removal season. His electronic form allows employees throughout the district to request leave, routes requests to employees' immediate supervisors for conditional approval, then routes requests to a district-wide team for review and final approval. Requests receiving final approval are automatically applied to an electronic calendar.

Marc has the ability to listen to the needs of his teammates and find a technical solution to their problems. He assists in finding ways to automate work processes to allow for the reduction of duplicate effort. Marc is always ready for a new challenge and opportunity to find a technical solution to an operations problem.

Beth Wright, P.E., State Maintenance Engineer, MoDOT Central Office

Marc is phenomenal; he looks for ways to make things better. He developed a technical work zone inspection form that is filled out electronically and remotely, allowing the results to be sent via e-mail to the appropriate personnel and making analysis easier and more immediate.

Kristi Bachman, P.E., Former Assistant District Maintenance Engineer, MoDOT Southwest District

Marc Lewis has again worked his magic!

Michael Middleton, P.E., District Maintenance Engineer, MoDOT Southwest District,
referring to the electronic form for employees to request leave during snow-removal season.

Marc also has automated processes to simplify and streamline numerous day-to-day chores.

Marc is a true problem solver who has created efficiencies applicable to various activities, such as the enrollment system for our district's First Aid/CPR training. It schedules a person for the class, adds it to his/her calendar and notifies the trainers. Marc is a tremendous asset to the Missouri Department of Transportation.

Becky Baltz, P.E., District Engineer, MoDOT Southwest District

Whether it is an undertaking on a statewide scale or a routine task of an individual employee, no need or problem is too complex or too small for Marc to take on in support of MoDOT's mission. While he serves in a support role, our core functions have benefitted from Marc's vision, knowledge, creativity, and work-ethic. His behind-the-scenes efforts to implement technological advances benefit employees throughout the department and enable them to better serve one another and our customers.

Sincerely yours,

Scott Bachman, AICP
Assistant to the District Engineer
MoDOT Southwest District