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## Media Release

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### St. Cloud Metro Bus employee named Minnesota Bus Operator of the Year

**ST. CLOUD** — The Minnesota Public Transit Association (MPTA) honored Fixed Route Operator Pete Mugg of Sartell with the Minnesota Bus Operator of the Year award at its annual conference last month.

Mugg has worked for Metro Bus since 1977 but his nomination extends beyond his longevity at Metro Bus. With an extensive record of caring for passengers, aiding during emergencies and accepting new challenges with zeal and optimism, Mugg more than qualifies for this award.

This is the second year in a row a Metro Bus Operator has won the award. In 2018, Fixed Route Operator Bob Braegelmann was honored for his lengthy tenure and safety record among other qualifications.

MPTA presents the Minnesota Bus Operator of the Year award to an individual who has consistently demonstrated high levels of achievement in all aspects of their performance including attendance, safety, customer service, leadership and commitment to the organization. Overall contributions made by the awarded Operator have significantly improved the organization in which they work and the lives of the public transit customers they serve.

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St. Cloud Metro Bus operates 7 days a week and provides 1.6 million Fixed Route, Dial-a-Ride and commuter bus passenger trips annually in St. Cloud, Sartell, Sauk Rapids and Waite Park. For more information about St. Cloud Metro Bus, visit [ridemetrobust.com](http://ridemetrobust.com).

Information about the Minnesota Public Transit Association can be found at [mpta-transit.org](http://mpta-transit.org).



Minnesota Bus Operator of the Year Pete Mugg, is honored at a Metro Bus Board of Commissioners meeting Oct. 15, 2019. Pictured from left to right Rick Miller, Mayor of Waite Park; Ryan Daniel, Metro Bus CEO; Kurt Hunstiger, Mayor of Sauk Rapids; Pete Mugg; Ryan Fitzthum, Mayor of Sartell; John Libert.