

DDC's Rhinier Receives DLA Audit Excellence Award

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Defense Distribution Center (DDC) Internal Review Auditor Bob Rhinier received the DLA Audit Excellence Award for 2004.

Rhinier has received the award twice, once in 2000 and again in 2004. Rhinier was presented the award by DLA Internal Review Director Jeff Goldstein in a December 2004 ceremony held at DDC.

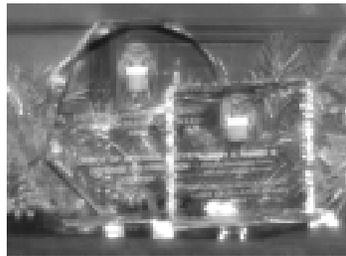
Rhinier's expert completion of two complex audits in 2004 – one of a disaster recovery plan, another of an analysis of transportation costs – earned him the distinct award.

"His thorough research and effective application of auditing techniques result in products having high value to our customer," said DDC Deputy Commander Phyllis Campbell, SES.

With more than 25 years of experience as an auditor, Rhinier is highly respected in his field and considered a valuable asset to DDC.



Presenting the Award. From left to right: DDC Commander BG Mike Lally, USA; Rhinier; DDC Internal Review Audit Director Craig Mayer; DLA Internal Review Director Jeff Goldstein.



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DDJC Fire Dept. Named DLA's Best in 2004

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The Defense Distribution Depot San Joaquin, CA (DDJC) Fire Department was named the Defense Logistics Agency's Fire Department of the Year for 2004. The award was presented during the annual Department of Defense Fire and Emergency Services Awards Program in New Orleans.

"This truly reflects what a solid team we have and their commitment to being the best in the fire service," said DDJC Fire Chief Arnold Dail.

In the event program distributed at the ceremony, DDJC's Fire Department is characterized as "one of the best trained and certified emergency response agencies in DoD."

In a congratulatory letter from DLA Director VADM Keith Lippert, SC, USN, wrote, "Your Department and the mutual aid companies provided quick response to the hazardous material fire incident in January



DDJC Commander COL Doug Serrano, USA, presented awards to DDJC's firefighters during DDJC's "Fun and Fellowship Day."

2003. The Fire Department and mutual aid companies controlled and extinguished the fire with minimum damage and mission interruption. This is a great accomplishment that each and every firefighter should be extremely proud to receive."

DDRT's Keeton and Warren Receive Prestigious DLA EEO Awards

In an employee recognition ceremony held at DLA headquarters in Ft Belvoir, VA, Defense Distribution Depot Red River, TX (DDRT) employees James Keeton and Jo Linda Warren were presented with awards for their accomplishments in the area of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) by DLA Director VADM Keith W. Lippert, SC, USN.

Keeton, Materials Handler Supervisor, received the Achievement in EEO by a Line Manager award for his exceptional participation and support in the planning, execution and after-action review of Defense Distribution Center (DDC) diversity programs. Keeton is actively involved in the promotion of these programs through his enthusiastic contribution to luncheons, entertainment programs, guest speakers,

literature, posters, contests, transportation arrangements and publicity aimed at spreading awareness of the diversity within DDC.

Administrative Assistant Jo Linda Warren received an award for Achievement in Equal Employment Opportunity by a Non-Manager. Serving as the chief representative on a committee that supports equality, Warren is responsible for problem-solving, researching, and executing the presentation of programs promoting diversity. These programs support Hispanics, Native Americans, and Americans with disabilities; and include veteran's observations, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Day, Black History Month and Women's History Month.

"Recognition at this level is quite impressive, and I applaud Mr. Keeton and Ms. Warren's efforts to promote diversity among the workforce," said DDRT Commander LTC Hugh Talley, USA.



DLA Director VADM Keith W. Lippert, SC, USN, and DDC Deputy Commander Phyllis Campbell, SES, present awards to DDRT employees Jo Linda Warren (above) and James Keeton (below).

