AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PUBLIC BIDDING DISADVANTAGEOUS AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR TWO ENGINE CONVERSIONS ON 7500 SERIES ARTICULATED BUSES

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority ("Authority") wishes to test the benefits of replacing the engines in the 7500 series articulated buses in an effort to improve vehicle reliability and reduce operating costs; and

WHEREAS, Cummins, Inc., has engines that have proven effective at reducing operating costs and improving vehicle reliability in other types of buses in the Authority's fleet; and

WHEREAS, The Authority wishes to test the Cummins ISL engine on two of the Authority's 7500 Series buses; and

WHEREAS, Cummins NPower, LLC, is the exclusive distributor for Cummins, Inc; and

WHEREAS, Installation of the Cummins ISL engines will require significant engineering and design modifications, requiring the expertise of the engine manufacturer; and

WHEREAS, Cummins NPower, LLC, has the necessary expertise to perform the installations; and

WHEREAS, Cummins NPower, LLC, has certified that the prices quoted to CTA are equal to or no greater than prices currently quoted to its most favored customers; and

WHEREAS, Section 54.3-5 of the Regulations Governing Purchase and Sales Transactions provides for the award of contract in those situations where the Transit Board determines that competitive public bidding would be disadvantageous; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1: Based on the statements set forth in the preamble of this ordinance, the Transit Board hereby determines that competitive public bidding for this requirement is disadvantageous.

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SECTION 2: The Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is authorized to enter into a contract with Cummins NPower, LLC, to install two ISL 330 engines on two 7500 series buses, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$239,200.00, under Requisition C07OP100582870.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:	PASSED:
Chairman	Assistant Secretary
September 12, 2007	September 12, 2007