ORDINANCE No. 007-81

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PUBLIC BIDDING DISADVANTAGEOUS AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH W.W. GRAINGER, INC.

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority ("Authority") desires to obtain faster delivery and lower pricing for maintenance, repair and operational products, thereby reducing costs and the need to stock these products in the Authority's warehouse; and

WHEREAS, W. W. Grainger, Inc. ("Grainger"), has entered into a Master Contract with the State of Illinois ("State") under the State's Joint Procurement Program which offers discounts off Grainger's catalog prices and next-business-day delivery to participating governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, All contracts entered into by the State under the Joint Procurement Program are subject to a competitive bidding process; and

WHEREAS, Grainger's Master Contract with the State expires on June 30, 2007, and the State has not yet awarded a contract under the Joint Procurement Program which offers the same or similar products to those offered by Grainger; and

WHEREAS, Grainger has agreed to extend the discounted pricing offered under the Master Contract with the State to CTA beyond June 30, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Staff has recommended that the CTA enter into a contract with Grainger to utilize the discounted pricing until such time as the State awards a contract under the Joint Procurement Program to replace Grainger's Master Contract; 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: That based on the statements set forth in the preamble of this ordinance, the Chicago Transit Board hereby determines that competitive public bidding for this requirement is disadvantageous.

SECTION 2: That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with W. W. Grainger, Inc., for the supply of maintenance, repair and operational products in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 under Requisition No. B07OP03561.

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SECTION 3 passage.	3: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its	
APPROVED:	PASSED:	
Chairman	Assistant Secretary	
July 11, 2007	July 11, 2007	