



# Orange County Transportation Authority

## Legislation Text

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### **Sole Source Agreement for Fire Suppression and Methane Conversion Kits**

The Orange County Transportation Authority currently operates 299, 2007-2008 model year compressed natural gas-powered buses. These vehicles have electronic control panels for the onboard automatic fire suppression and methane detection systems. The original panel is no longer available through the original bus manufacturer. To date, the panels on 35 of these vehicles have been replaced with an approved equal, but the lead time is very long requiring the bus to be removed from service until the part is received. Approval of a purchase order for 264 of the replacement electronic panels for the remainder of the fleet will expedite repairs when the component fails and will reduce the overall unit cost versus purchasing one panel at a time.

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute sole source Blanket Purchase Order No. C-8-1506 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Kidde Technologies, Inc., in the amount of \$355,575, for the purchase of up to 264 Kidde fire suppression/methane detection 12-channel conversion kits intended for the installation on the 2007-2008 model year New Flyer compressed natural gas-powered buses.