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TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THRU: Larry Rubio, Chief Executive Officer

FROM:  Vince Rouzaud, Chief Procurement and Logistics Officer

SUBJECT: Authorization to Amend Purchase Order No. 18478 with Creative Bus Sales, Inc., to Modify the Technical Specifications on Four (4), Type VII Vehicles to add a Fire Suppression System

Summary: At the September 2006, Board of Directors meeting, the Board authorized staff to award a contract to Creative Bus Sales, Inc., for four (4), Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant, 26-passenger vehicles for use by the Agency's contracted fixed route operations.

The Type VII vehicle seats 26 passengers or alternatively can accommodate 22 passengers and two wheelchair positions.

Staff is recommending that the vehicle's technical specifications be amended to include an Amerex small vehicle fire suppression system specifically developed for small front engine applications.

The Amerex fire suppression system is designed to suppress small vehicle fires inside the described coverage area (engine compartment) during a fire's initial stage utilizing electronic detection or manual actuation. The cost to add the fire suppression system is \$3,901 per-vehicle including tax.

The total per-vehicle price for the Type VII vehicle will increase from \$93,252 to \$97,153.

