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CITY OF CHICAGO

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MAYOR

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TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of the Commissioner of Aviation, I transmit herewith an ordinance authorizing the execution of a technical service agreement with National Renewable Energy Laboratory.

Your favorable consideration of this ordinance will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "BJ", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Mayor

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago ("City") is a home rule unit under Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and, as such, may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs; and

WHEREAS, the City owns and, through its Chicago Department of Aviation ("CDA"), operates Chicago O'Hare International Airport ("O'Hare"); and

WHEREAS, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory ("NREL") is the national laboratory of the U.S. Department of Energy which is solely dedicated to securing America's energy future through renewable energy efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC ("Alliance") is the management and operating contractor for NREL; and

WHEREAS, CDA is committed to implementing environmentally sustainable initiatives at O'Hare including seeking creative ways to reduce emissions and energy use, conserve water and natural resources, salvage and recycle materials, reduce waste, and educate passengers and the local community; and

WHEREAS, NREL advances the science and engineering of energy efficiency, sustainable transportation, and renewable power technologies and provides the knowledge to integrate and optimize energy systems for market adoption; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, CDA and Alliance, desire to enter into agreements pursuant to which Alliance will develop options for sustainable and efficient ways of generating energy for O'Hare; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. The Commissioner of CDA ("Commissioner"), or a designee of the Commissioner, is each hereby authorized, with the approval of the City's Corporation Counsel, to negotiate, execute and deliver with Alliance, or any successor or assignee of Alliance acting as the management and operating contractor for NREL: (1) technical services agreements substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A to this ordinance; and (2) such other documents, as needed, to develop options for sustainable and efficient ways of generating energy at O'Hare, including the allocation and expenditure of funds subject to appropriation therefore, as shall be necessary or advisable in connection with the implementation of such agreements, including any renewals thereto. Any such agreements may contain terms and conditions including provisions pursuant to which the City agrees to indemnify and hold harmless any party to such agreements.

SECTION 3. The Commissioner, or the designee of the Commissioner, is authorized to take such actions and execute such other documents as may be necessary or desirable to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

Attachment: Form of Technical Services Agreement