

# News

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## **BAE SYSTEMS SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH CUMMINS WEST FOR HYBRID BUS SERVICE**

JOHNSON CITY, N.Y. — BAE Systems and Cummins West, Inc., have signed an agreement that establishes Cummins West as a factory-authorized service center for BAE Systems' HybriDrive® propulsion systems. Cummins West will provide diagnostic services and warranty-covered repairs to the entire power train on Orion VII hybrid electric transit buses that will begin operation in San Francisco later this year.

"We are establishing a coast-to-coast service network to support the widespread adoption of the HybriDrive system," said Hank McGlynn, vice president of Power Systems for BAE Systems. "We have more than 1,000 hybrid buses delivered or on order and we want to ensure that our customers are supported by both great technology and outstanding service."

Cummins Inc. already is an established partner with BAE Systems. The engine manufacturer has supplied Cummins ISB engines for the HybriDrive system on Orion buses since 1999. The new agreement authorizes Cummins West, Inc., to service the hybrid components in addition to the engines.

Cummins West, Inc. is the exclusive distributor of Cummins Inc. products in Northern and Central California and the state of Hawaii. Kevin Shanahan, president and CEO of Cummins West, Inc., said, "We look forward to providing the same responsive and high-quality service to our transit bus customers for the BAE Systems hybrid propulsion system as we do today for our engines and components."

"This agreement further cements the good relationship between the engine and propulsion system partners on the Orion VII hybrid bus," said Pat Scully, chief commercial officer at DaimlerChrysler Commercial Buses North America. Orion is the transit bus brand of DaimlerChrysler in North America. "It offers our customers a single source for engine and hybrid propulsion service."

By completion of the order, San Francisco will operate 56 hybrid buses, making it the first city in California to incorporate series production diesel-electric hybrid technology into its transit bus fleet.

### **About BAE Systems:**

BAE Systems is the premier trans-Atlantic defense and aerospace company, delivering a full range of products and services for air, land and naval forces, as well as advanced electronics, information technology solutions and customer support services. BAE Systems, with more than 100,000 employees worldwide, had 2005 sales that exceeded \$28 billion.

**About Cummins:**

Cummins Inc., a global power leader, is a corporation of complementary business units that design, manufacture, distribute and service engines and related technologies, including fuel systems, controls, air handling, filtration, emission solutions and electrical power generation systems. Headquartered in Columbus, Ind., Cummins serves customers in more than 160 countries through its network of 550 company-owned and independent distributor facilities and more than 5,000 dealer locations. Cummins reported net income of \$550 million on sales of \$9.9 billion in 2005.

**About Orion Bus Industries:**

Orion, a brand of DaimlerChrysler, operates production facilities in Greensboro, N.C.; Oriskany, N.Y.; and Mississauga, Ontario. DaimlerChrysler Commercial Buses North America produces and markets a wide range of commercial bus and coach products under the Orion, Setra, and Dodge Sprinter brands and is a unit of DaimlerChrysler, the world's leading manufacturer of buses and coaches for Class 6 and higher, with more than 32,000 chassis and complete buses produced annually for revenue of more than \$4.3 billion. For more information, visit [www.orionbus.com](http://www.orionbus.com) or [www.dcbusna.com](http://www.dcbusna.com).

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