

outside the vehicle next to the engine compartment. The coach is exceptionally quiet on the road and passengers can converse freely from the front to rear of the bus.

The turbine engine also offers other distinct advantages: anticipated engine life of up to one million miles before major overhaul; ability to use a wide range of engine fuels; no cooling system required; no elaborate plumbing and piping; and absence of cold weather starting problems.

MCI's development engineers, co-operating with Greyhound and Detroit Diesel Allison Division, provided the extensive engineering required for this installation. MCI maintains a full-time development and experimental engineering department, staffed by a total of 51 engineers, draftsmen, engineering technicians, tradesmen and engineering aides.

Introduction of the turbine powered coach holds promise of being one of the most important innovations in bus transportation history.

Currently the company's 1,200 Winnipeg employees complete three bus "shells" every working day of the year — about 750 annually — of which more than 600 are exported to the United States. The steady growth of the company has provided continuous employment opportunities for Winnipeg residents. The firm employs both men and women, with the plants working two shifts each day. Employment is expected to reach 1,300 to 1,400 in the Winnipeg area in the near future.