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AUTHORITY ACTION REQUESTED:

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ATTACHMENTS:

Agenda item worksheet and attachment

**STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
AGENDA ITEM WORKSHEET**

Meeting Scheduled for: 10/14/2025

Regular Agenda

1. Submitted by:

- (a) Agency: Division of Procurement Services
(b) Authorized Official Signature:


John St. C. White, Materials Management Officer

2. Subject: Other-Specify

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7. Recommendation of other office (as required)? Grant the requests as set forth in Section four above.

- (a) Authorized Signature: _____
- (b) Office Name: _____
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8. List of Supporting Documents:

- A - Sections 1-11-405 and 11-35-710
- B – Proviso 118.22(B)(44)(a) of the FY 25-26 Appropriations Act
- C – October 7, 2025, letter of the Joint Bond Review Committee
- D - Requests from the SCDNR
- E – Private Participant Disclosure
- F – Textron Letter and Quote
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Exhibit A

SECTION 1-11-405.Aircraft purchase, lease, or lease-purchase by state agency.

No aircraft may be purchased, leased, or lease-purchased for more than a thirty-day period by any state agency without the prior authorization of the Department of Administration or the State Fiscal Accountability Authority, as appropriate, and the Joint Bond Review Committee.

HISTORY: 1995 Act No. 145, Part II, Section 44.

Code Commissioner's Note

At the direction of the Code Commissioner, references in this section to the offices of the former State Budget and Control Board, Office of the Governor, or other agencies, were changed to reflect the transfer of them to the Department of Administration or other entities, pursuant to the directive of the South Carolina Restructuring Act, 2014 Act No. 121, Section 5(D)(1), effective July 1, 2015.

SECTION 11-35-710. Exemptions.

(A) The board, upon the recommendation of the chief procurement officer, may exempt governmental bodies from purchasing certain items through the respective chief procurement officer's area of responsibility. The board may exempt specific supplies, services, information technology, or construction from the purchasing procedures required in this chapter and for just cause by unanimous written decision limit or may withdraw exemptions provided for in this section. The following exemptions are granted from this chapter:

(1) the construction, maintenance, and repair of bridges, highways, and roads; vehicle and road equipment maintenance and repair; and other emergency-type parts or equipment utilized by the Department of Transportation or the Department of Public Safety;

(2) the purchase of raw materials by the South Carolina Department of Corrections, Division of Prison Industries;

(3) South Carolina State Ports Authority;

(4) Division of Public Railways of the Department of Commerce;

(5) South Carolina Public Service Authority;

(6) expenditure of funds at state institutions of higher learning derived wholly from athletic or other student contests, from the activities of student organizations, and from the operation of canteens and bookstores, except as the funds are used for the procurement of construction, architect-engineer, construction-management, and land surveying services;

(7) livestock, feed, and veterinary supplies;

(8) articles for commercial sale by all governmental bodies;

(9) fresh fruits, vegetables, meats, fish, milk, and eggs;

(10) South Carolina Arts Commission and South Carolina Museum Commission for the purchase of one-of-a-kind items such as paintings, antiques, sculpture, and similar objects. Before a governmental body procures the objects, the head of the purchasing agency shall prepare a written determination specifying the need for the objects and the benefits to the State. The South Carolina Arts Commission shall review the determination and forward a recommendation to the board for approval;

(11) published books, periodicals, and technical pamphlets;

(12) South Carolina Research Authority;

(13) the purchase of supplies, services, or information technology by state offices, departments, institutions, agencies, boards, and commissions or the political subdivisions of this State from the South Carolina Department of Corrections, Division of Prison Industries;

(14) Medical University Hospital Authority, if the Medical University Hospital Authority has promulgated a procurement process in accordance with its enabling provision;

(15) if approved in writing by the State Engineer in advance, and if some aspect of the overall transaction is otherwise approved by the board in advance of the acquisition, an acquisition of construction from an eleemosynary corporation or foundation, or a wholly owned business thereof, established solely for the governmental body's benefit, but only if the eleemosynary corporation or foundation acquires the construction on behalf of or for the use of the governmental body and does so pursuant to this code, as required by Section 11-35-40(4).

(B) The State Fiscal Accountability Authority shall maintain and post publicly a running list of all currently effective actions taken by the board pursuant to subsection (A).

118.21. DELETED

118.22. (SR: Nonrecurring Revenue) (A) The source of revenue appropriated in subsection (B) is nonrecurring revenue generated from the following sources:

- (1) \$332,294,362 from Contingency Reserve Fund;
- (2) \$1,226,554,400 from Fiscal Year 2024-25 Projected Surplus;
- (3) \$34,054,856 from Litigation Recovery Account;
- (4) \$1,643,873 from Fiscal Year 2024-25 Projected Debt Service Lapse;
- (5) \$109,752,745 from Fiscal Year 2025-26 Debt Service Appropriated Above Obligations;
- (6) \$2,290,000 from Fiscal Year 2024-25 Governor Vetoes;
- (7) \$6,254,723 from Excess Statewide Employee Benefits;
- (8) \$4,000,000 from Workers' Compensation Commission – Overage of IT Project;
- (9) (5,079,000) for Fiscal Year 2024-25 Incremental Income Tax Reduction; and
- (10) any residual certified unappropriated general fund dollars.

Any restrictions concerning specific utilization of these funds are lifted for the specified fiscal year. The above agency transfers shall occur no later than thirty days after the close of the books on Fiscal Year 2024-25 and shall be available for use in Fiscal Year 2025-26.

This revenue is deemed to have occurred and is available for use in Fiscal Year 2025-26 after September 1, 2025, following the Comptroller General's close of the state's books on Fiscal Year 2024-25.

(B) The appropriations in this provision are listed in priority order. Item (1) must be funded first and each remaining item must be fully funded before any funds are allocated to the next item. Provided, however, that any individual item may be partially funded in the order in which it appears to the extent that revenues are available.

The State Treasurer shall disburse the following appropriations on February 20, 2026, for the purposes stated, with the exception of items (1) and (68)(b) which shall be disbursed by September 30, 2025.

- (1) F010 General Reserve Fund

General Reserve Fund Contribution	\$ 99,695,200;
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- (2) H630 Department of Education

(a) Education Scholarship Trust Fund	\$ 15,000,000;
(b) High Quality Instructional Materials	\$ 41,585,026;
(c) School of Workforce Innovation Pilot - Phase 2	\$ 5,000,000;
- (3) H620 First Steps

Innovation Investments	\$ 2,500,000;
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- (4) H710 Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School

(a) Student Recreational	\$ 125,000;
(b) Building and Office Maintenance	\$ 600,000;
- (5) H750 School for the Deaf and the Blind

(a) CLRC - Roof Repairs	\$ 1,000,000;
(b) Walker Hall Maintenance and Repairs	\$ 500,000;
(c) HVAC - Memminger Hall, CLRC, and Dobson House	\$ 1,000,000;
- (6) L120 Governor's School for Agriculture at John de la Howe

(a) De la Howe Hall Site Work	\$ 2,000,000;
(b) Campus Security Cameras - Phase 2	\$ 400,000;
(c) Meat Processing Lab and Cannery	\$ 4,000,000;
(d) Remodel Hester Cottage	\$ 600,000;

(35)	J120	Department of Mental Health		
	(a)	Berkeley and Orangeburg County Jail-Based Programs.....	\$	800,000;
	(b)	Alternative Transportation Program	\$	2,500,000;
	(c)	Inpatient Services Capital Needs	\$	9,370,000;
(36)	J160	Department of Disabilities and Special Needs		
	(a)	Residential Services	\$	5,000,000;
	(b)	South Carolina Genomic Medicine Initiative	\$	1,000,000;
(37)	L040	Department of Social Services		
	(a)	Economic Services System Application Modernization (ESSAM) – DDI Phase	\$	18,590,812;
	(b)	SNAP Employment and Training Funding.....	\$	400,000;
(38)	L080	Department of Children's Advocacy		
		IT Operations.....	\$	77,000;
(39)	L320	Housing Finance and Development Authority		
		First-time Homebuyers Workforce Housing	\$	5,000,000;
(40)	P120	Forestry Commission		
	(a)	Mechanic Recruitment and Retention & Vehicle and Supplies.....	\$	63,000;
	(b)	Forest Health Capacity.....	\$	52,000;
	(c)	Prescribed Fire Capacity	\$	1,852,000;
(41)	P160	Department of Agriculture		
	(a)	Equipment Replacement	\$	1,400,000;
	(b)	Regional Farmers Markets.....	\$	2,000,000;
(42)	P200	Clemson University Public Service Activities		
		PSA Planned Maintenance and Critical Infrastructure	\$	3,000,000;
(43)	P210	SC State University Public Service Activities		
	(a)	Statewide Extension Agribusiness Development	\$	650,000;
	(b)	Agriculture Innovation Research	\$	500,000;
	(c)	Business Development Training and Assistance	\$	525,000;
	(d)	New Beginner Farmer Assistance.....	\$	600,000;
	(e)	Future Farm Planning	\$	250,000;
	(f)	Animal Research & Education Center (AREC).....	\$	2,500,000;
(44)	P240	Department of Natural Resources		
	(a)	Law Enforcement Equipment	\$	2,000,000;
	(b)	Waterfowl Impoundments Infrastructure Maintenance	\$	1,500,000;
	(c)	Statewide Flood Inundation Map Modeling	\$	1,500,000;
	(d)	Field & Regional Building Maintenance & Construction	\$	2,000,000;
	(e)	State Lakes - High Hazard Dams and Spillway Repair	\$	27,755,000;
	(f)	Disaster Relief Grant Match Funding	\$	13,333,333;
	(g)	Waterways Protection Fund (S.367)	\$	750,000;
(45)	P280	Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism		
	(a)	Agency Property Development.....	\$	15,000,000;
	(b)	Sports Marketing.....	\$	4,000,000;
	(c)	Destination Specific Marketing Grants.....	\$	6,000,000;
	(d)	Beach Renourishment Grants	\$	1,524,000;
	(e)	State Park Maintenance and Repairs.....	\$	3,000,000;
	(f)	Film Incentives	\$	4,000,000;

Agency Name:	Department Of Natural Resources		
Agency Code:	P240	Section:	47

FORM B2 – NON-RECURRING OPERATING REQUEST

AGENCY PRIORITY	9
Provide the Agency Priority Ranking from the Executive Summary.	

TITLE	Agency Equipment
Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.	

AMOUNT	\$4,150,000
What is the net change in requested appropriations for FY 2025-2026? This amount should correspond to the total for all funding sources on the Executive Summary.	

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST	Mark “X” for all that apply:	
		Change in cost of providing current services to existing program audience
		Change in case load/enrollment under existing program guidelines
		Non-mandated change in eligibility/enrollment for existing program
		Non-mandated program change in service levels or areas
		Proposed establishment of a new program or initiative
		Loss of federal or other external financial support for existing program
		Exhaustion of fund balances previously used to support program
		IT Technology/Security related
		Consulted DTO during development
		HR/Personnel Related
	X	Request for Non-Recurring Appropriations
		Request for Federal/Other Authorization to spend existing funding
	Related to a Recurring request – If so, Priority #	

STATEWIDE ENTERPRISE STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES	Mark “X” for primary applicable Statewide Enterprise Strategic Objective:	
		Education, Training, and Human Development
		Healthy and Safe Families
	X	Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security
		Public Infrastructure and Economic Development
	Government and Citizens	

ACCOUNTABILITY OF FUNDS	2.1-2.3 - Maintaining Safety, Integrity, and Security Conserve and protect the state's natural resources for social, economic, recreational, and commercial benefit while providing maximum human utilization through: (1) the development of public support through outreach, education, and safety programs; (2) the preservation of the peace and protection of human lives and property; and (3) the enforcement of the state's criminal laws through the detection, apprehension, and prosecution of persons who violate those laws.
What specific strategy, as outlined in the most recent Strategic Planning and Performance Measurement template of agency's accountability report, does this funding request support? How would this request advance that strategy? How would the use of these funds be evaluated?	

RECIPIENTS OF FUNDS	Other Operating: Goods and services for program operations obtained by following the state procurement code. Most of these expenditures would be provided through state contract vendors.
What individuals or entities would receive these funds (contractors, vendors, grantees, individual beneficiaries, etc.)? How would these funds be allocated – using an existing formula, through a competitive process, based upon predetermined eligibility criteria?	

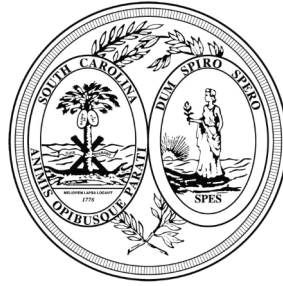
JUSTIFICATION OF REQUEST	The SCDNR Law Enforcement Division is looking to purchase a new Cessna 206 to replace an older Cessna 210-Centurian (built in 1984) with 9700 hours. In addition, we will be selling our Cessna 206 (built in 1985) with 7700 hours to assist with the offsetting the cost of the new Cessna purchase. The sale of these aircraft will go through the State Surplus process, and we will not be able to use trade in value for new purchase. Therefore, we must continue to use both planes until able to procure a new aircraft. There are no safety concerns that would prohibit the sale of these planes at a future date. Both aircraft have high airframe hours, but it is not beyond the "designed life expectancy" for usage. We have confirmed with the SC Division of Aeronautics in detail about our plans and desires and have an attached document with their support and opinions. The Cessna 206 best fits our mission parameters and is an exceptionally well-made and study platform for DNR-specific missions. The Cessna 210 and 206 are being replaced due to the extreme hours on the airframe and the difficulty in finding parts for planes that has not in production for some time. The overall cost for the new Cessna 206 with updated avionics and navigation is estimated at \$2,625,000. Estimated cost \$2,625,000.00 Aircraft Purchase Total: \$2,625,000.00 Vehicles - Inflation of vehicle cost since last requested funding now dictates that we increase our petition for funding for Vehicle Fleet rotation. <u>New costs for vehicles:</u> Base Vehicle 54,000 Cradle System Handheld 2,000 Emergency Lights/Equip 9,000 <u>Total nonrecurring cost: \$65,000</u> \$65,000.00 X 23 Replacement Vehicles: \$1,500,000.00 The needed funds of \$1,500,000.00 would allow for the 23 new vehicles.
Please thoroughly explain the request to include the justification for funds, potential offsets, matching funds, and method of calculation. Please include any explanation of impact if funds are not received. If new positions have been requested, explain why existing vacancies are not sufficient.	

Capital Improvements Joint Bond Review Committee

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October 7, 2025

J.W. "Billy" Downer, II
Major, SCDNR Law Enforcement
South Carolina Department of Natural Resources
Post Office Box 167
Columbia, SC 29202

Dear Major Downer:

At its meeting today, the Joint Bond Review Committee reviewed and authorized a request by the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources to make an aircraft acquisition that will replace two aircraft in the Department's fleet that have exceeded their safe service life. This acquisition will be funded by an appropriation of \$2,000,000 provided by Proviso 118.22(B)(44)(a) of the FY 25-26 Appropriations Act.

The request for review and authorization was made pursuant to Section 1-11-405 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, which provides that no aircraft may be purchased, leased, or lease-purchased for more than a thirty-day period by any state agency without the prior authorization of the Department of Administration or the State Fiscal Accountability Authority, as appropriate, and the Joint Bond Review Committee.

Please advise if you need any further information.

Very truly yours,

Catherine Ortmann Hart
Director of Research

STATE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AUTHORITY
AGENDA ITEM WORKSHEET

Exhibit D

Meeting Scheduled for: October 14, 2025

Regular Agenda

1. Submitted by:

- (a) Agency: SC Dept. of Natural Resources
(b) Authorized Official Signature:

AC Frampton

Chilsom Frampton – Colonel

2. Subject: South Carolina Department of Natural Resource (the SCDNR) – Aircraft Purchase

3. Summary and Background Information:

Section 1-11-405 requires approval before an aircraft may be purchased, leased, or lease-purchased for more than a thirty-day period. The SCDNR requests approval to purchase a new Cessna 206 Stationair HD for law enforcement and biology missions.

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8. List of Supporting Documents:

- (a) Section 1-11-405
- (b) FY 25 Budget Proviso 118.22(B)(44)(a)
- (c) Memorandum from SCDNR to Materials Management Officer
- (d) Textron Aviation, Inc., Quote
- (e) Private Participant Disclosure

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August 6, 2025

John White, PE
Materials Management Officer & State Engineer
Division of Procurement Services
SC State Fiscal Accountability Authority
1201 Main St. Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Mr. White:

The SC Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) needs to purchase an additional fixed-wing aircraft for our fleet. The Agency would like to request an exemption from SC Consolidated Procurement Code to make this purchase. This letter will provide details on our current fleet as well as justification for the additional aircraft.

The SCDNR currently maintains a fleet of 3 mission-ready aircraft (two single-engine aircraft and one twin-engine aircraft). These aircraft are used for both law enforcement and biology missions. The law enforcement missions include search and rescue, night patrols for illegal deer hunting, migratory bait flights, and offshore patrols. The biology missions include eagle surveys, turtle flights, marine mammal flights, and migratory bird population surveys. These aircraft are also made available to other state agencies such as SLED and the Department of Public Safety when needed. The SCDNR currently employs two full-time pilots to fly our aircraft.

The newest aircraft in our fleet is a 2004 Vulcanair P68 Observer. This is a twin-engine aircraft that is equipped with a FLIR system for night-time operations. The P68 is in great shape and continues to meet our mission needs for a twin-engine aircraft. Our two single-engine aircraft are both over 40 years old. The oldest is a 1984 Cessna Centurion and the other is a 1985 Cessna Stationair. In FY25, the SCDNR requested non-recurring funding to purchase one new single-engine aircraft to replace the two Cessna aircraft in the fleet. The idea was to reduce our overall fleet and purchase a new aircraft that will meet our mission needs.

In the FY2025-26 Annual Appropriations, the General Assembly budgeted \$2,000,000 in Part 1B Budget Proviso 118.22(B)(44)a for the SCDNR to purchase a new aircraft. The SCDNR would like to use these funds to purchase a new Cessna 206 Stationair HD. The Cessna 206 Stationair HD is a modern single-engine version of the current Cessna 206 already used within our fleet.

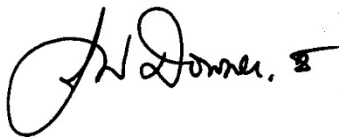
The SCDNR would like to purchase a single-engine Cessna because this is the aircraft that our pilots are trained on and are comfortable in flying at lower altitudes and at slower speeds. These low altitude missions can be dangerous, so it is imperative that we keep our pilots in a plane that

meets this specific mission need. Our pilots are also familiar with the maintenance required on the Cessna 206, and purchasing a newer model of the same aircraft will make it easy to keep up with maintenance issues. The SCDNR has reached out to Textron Aviation (maker of Cessna) about new aircraft availability. Textron is currently 6 months to 1 year out on production if you were to purchase an airplane today. If the SCDNR had to put an aircraft out for bid, it is likely that Textron will not even attempt to make a bid as their production schedule is already booked.

The SCDNR has received a quote from Textron Aviation in the amount of \$1,142,940. This quote is included with the email and this letter. Due to the high demand for these aircraft and the specific mission that the Cessna 206 provides for the Agency, the SCDNR would like to request an exemption to be able to purchase an aircraft directly from Textron.

Thank you for your help and consideration of this request. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at (803) 609-6875.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.W. Downer, II", with a stylized flourish at the end.

J.W. "Billy" Downer, II
Major, SCDNR Law Enforcement

Exhibit F



Date: September 8, 2025

To: South Carolina Department of Natural Resources

Subject: Manufacturer of Stationair HD T206H

Textron Aviation Inc. (Textron Aviation), is the original manufacturer of the Cessna Stationair HD model T206H aircraft. Textron Aviation is submitting information to the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources in relation to a subsequent request for proposal for the supply of the aircraft.

The T206H aircraft will be covered under Textron Aviation's Limited New Aircraft Warranty, as outlined in the Specification and Description document provided with the Proposal.

Any questions on the above matter may be addressed to the undersigned by e-mail at efoley@txtav.com

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**South Carolina Department
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July 17, 2025

PRICING DETAIL

South Carolina Dept of Natural Resources

**2026
Unit Price**

Commercial Aircraft Base Price:

Turbo Stationair HD T206	\$1,069,000
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Published Options:

206A	1	Safe Flight SCc Angle of Attack (AoA)	\$8,330
AC	2	Air Conditioning (Require OEG 881C Air Conditioning Interior Provisions)	49,150
881C	3	Air Conditioning Interior Provisions	12,250
91J	4	Oversize Tires w/Out Fairings	4,210
Exterior	5	Standard Paint Scheme	N/C

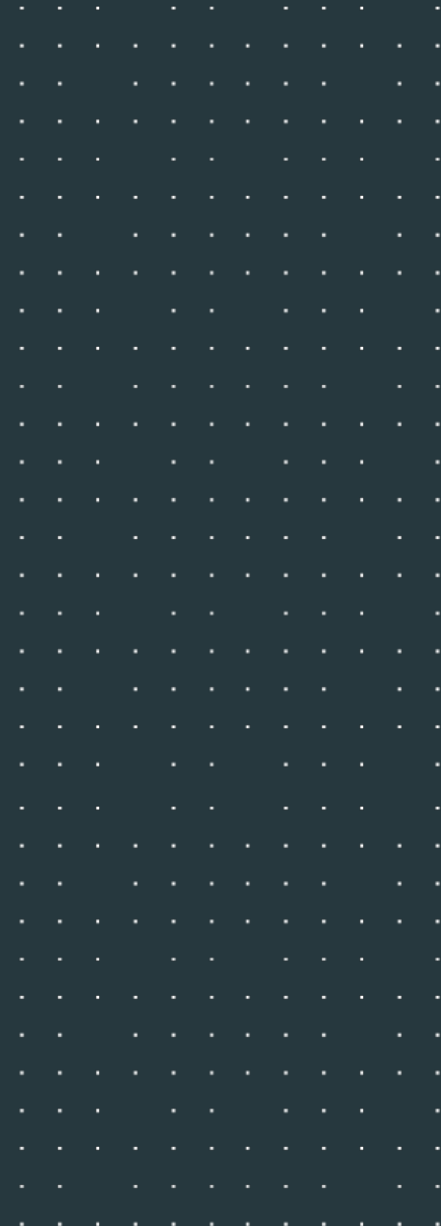
Sub-Total Published Options:	\$73,940
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Total Commercial Aircraft List Price	\$1,142,940
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ASSUMPTIONS

PRICING

- This FFP Pricing is valid through October 17, 2025 but is subject to aircraft availability which Textron Aviation cannot guarantee without a signed contract.
- This pricing assumes delivery Ex Works in Independence, KS.
- This pricing is subject to Textron Aviation standard terms and conditions.
- Aircraft configuration is based on Cessna 206 Turbo Stationair Specification and Description document Rev G.; dated February of 2024; Serial Number T20609757 to TBD.



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