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Abbreviation List

DFFE	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
EA	Environmental Authorisation
EAP	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIMS	Environmental Impact Management Services (Pty) Ltd
EMPr	Environmental Management Programme
I&AP	Interested and Affected Party
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act
PPP	Public Participation Process
PPR	Public Participation Report



1 INTRODUCTION

EIMS was appointed to undertake an update of the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) as well as to apply for an extension of the validity Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the Struisbult PV2 Facility. Struisbult PV2 (Pty) Ltd proposes to construct a PV plant to generate approximately 100 MW (preferred alternative) on the farm Struisbult (Farm No. 104 Portion 1), also known as Vogelstruisbult near Copperton in the Northern Cape. Struisbult Farm borders Copperton on the eastern side of the town and covers approximately 6 194 ha.

2 OBJECTIVES OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

South Africa, being one of the countries with the most progressive constitutions, enshrined the public's right to be involved in decisions that may affect them in its Constitution. Section 57(1) of the new Constitution that provides: *"The National Assembly may (b) make rules and orders concerning its business, with due regard to representative and participatory democracy, accountability, transparency and public involvement"*. This provision, along with several others gave rise to many new trends in South African legislation. In environmental legislation, the idea of public participation (or stakeholder engagement) features strongly and especially the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998, NEMA) and the recent regulations passed under the auspices of this Act makes very strict provisions for public participation in environmental decision-making.

Public participation can be defined as...*"a process leading to a joint effort by stakeholders, technical specialists, the authorities and the proponent who work together to produce better decisions than if they had acted independently"*¹. From this definition, it can be seen that the input of the public is regarded as very important indeed.

The Public Participation Process (PPP) is designed to provide sufficient and accessible information to Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) in an objective manner to assist them to:

- During the EMPr Update and EA Amendment Application Process:
 - Contribute relevant local information and knowledge to the environmental assessment;
 - Verify that their issues have been recorded;
 - Comment on the findings of the environmental assessments; and
 - Provide relevant local information and knowledge to the environmental assessment.

The PPP is a requirement of several pieces of South African Legislation and aims to ensure that all relevant I&APs are consulted, involved and their opinions are taken into account and a record included in the reports submitted to Authorities. The process ensures that all stakeholders are provided this opportunity as part of a transparent process which allows for a robust and comprehensive environmental study. The PPP for the necessary authorisation required for the proposed project needs to be managed sensitively and according to best practises in order to ensure and promote:

- Compliance with international best practice options;
- Compliance with national legislation;
- Establishment and management of relationships with key stakeholder groups; and
- Encouragement of involvement and participation in the environmental study and authorisation/approval process.

As such, the purpose of the PPP and stakeholder engagement process is to:

¹ Greyling, T. (1999) Towards Managing Environmental Disputes: Appropriate Public Participation. Prepared for Conference on Environmental Dispute Resolution 10-11 June 1998, Fourways, Gauteng, Manyaka Greyling Meiring (Pty) Ltd, South Africa



- Introduce the proposed project and process for the authorisation project;
- Explain the environmental processes;
- Determine and record issues, concerns, suggestions, and objections to the project;
- Provide opportunity for input and gathering of local knowledge;
- Establish and formalise lines of communication between the I&APs and the project team;
- Identify all significant issues for the project; and
- Identify possible mitigation measures or environmental management plans to minimise and/or prevent negative environmental impacts and maximise and/or promote positive environmental impacts associated with the project.

This Public Participation Report (PPR) lists all verbal and written issues raised by I&APs and stakeholders to date. A breakdown of the PPP is given within the remaining sections of this PPR.

2.1 LEGAL COMPLIANCE

The PPP must comply with all environmental legislation that requires public participation as part of an application for authorisation or approval; namely:

- NEMA;

Adherence to the requirements of the above-mentioned Acts will allow for an Integrated PPP to be conducted, and in so doing, satisfy the requirement for public participation referenced in the Acts. The details of the Integrated PPP are provided below.

3 IDENTIFICATION OF INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

An initial I&AP database has been compiled from historic projects in the area, desktop based I&AP identification and newspaper advertisements to obtain the contact details of the potentially affected I&APs. The I&APs referred to in the PPR include:

- Pre-identified and registered key stakeholders;
- Regulatory authorities;
- Specialist interest groups; and
- All I&APs who responded to the initial notifications and requested to be registered.

Efforts to pre-identify key I&APs involved various avenues such as consultation with the proponent and government departments, review of related previously conducted studies, and identification of key interest groups and authorities within the vicinity of the study area and municipality.

All key stakeholders have been notified about the project via post, fax and/or email as well as through advertisements and/or site notices inviting them to participate in the EIA process.

Proof of landowner, key stakeholder and I&AP initial notifications will be included in the will be included in this report prior to submission to the DFFE.

3.1 LIST OF AUTHORITIES NOTIFIED

The following authorities, but not limited to, were notified of the proposed project and invited to participate in the public participation process:



- Commission on Restitution of Land Rights: Northern Cape and Free State Regional Office
- Eskom Soc Ltd
- National Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development
- National Department of Forestry Fisheries and the Environment
- National Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment
- National Department of Mineral Resources and Energy
- National Department of Rural Development and Land Reform
- National Department of Transport
- National Department of Water and Sanitation
- National Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development
- Northern Cape Provincial Heritage Resource Agency
- Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform
- Northern Cape Department of Economic Development and Tourism
- Northern Cape Department of Mineral Resources and Energy
- Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works
- Northern Cape Department of Social Development
- Northern Cape Department of Water and Sanitation
- Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality
- SAHRA
- SANPARKS
- Siyathemba Local Municipality
- South African Civil Aviation Authority
- South African National Biodiversity Institute
- South African National Road Agency
- Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

3.2 LIST OF OTHER KEY I&APS AND STAKEHOLDERS IDENTIFIED AND NOTIFIED

The following key I&APs, but not limited to, were notified of the proposed project and invited to participate in the public participation process:

- Armscor Defence Institutes
- Birdlife SA
- Botanical Society
- Cape Nature
- Conservation South Africa (CSA)
- Copperton Wind Farm (Elewan)
- Endangered Wildlife Trust
- Mulilo Renewable Project Developments (Pty)Ltd
- Nelspoortjie Karoo Guest Farm
- Prieska Copper Mines Ltd
- Request Trust
- South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)
- Succulent Society of South Africa (SSSA)
- Vrugbaar Boerdery Trust
- WESSA



4 NOTIFICATION OF INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

This section provides details on the notifications that were distributed as part of the consultation process to date.

4.1 INITIAL NOTIFICATION OF KEY I&APS

The PPP commenced on the 17 March 2023 with site notice placement, and initial notification and call to register. Notification during this initial consultation was given in the manner described below.

4.1.1 NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS

Newspaper advertisements were published during March 2023. The advertisements described the proposed project and process urging I&APs to register to receive notifications regarding opportunities to participate in the environmental process, as well as the opportunity to

The newspaper advertisements included the following information:

- Project name;
- Applicant name;
- Project location;
- Nature of the activity;
- Legislative requirements;
- Availability of the reports for review and comment; and
- Relevant EIMS contact person for the project.

The advertisements and notices were placed as follows:

Table 1: Newspaper Advertisements Details

Newspaper	Languages	Publication Date
Noordwester/Oewernuus	English and Afrikaans	24 March 2023

Proof of advertisements will be included in the will be included in this report prior to submission to the DFFE.

4.1.2 REGISTERED LETTERS, FAXES AND EMAILS

Notification letters in English and Afrikaans were distributed to pre-identified I&APs through either registered mail, faxes, and/or emails and/or SMS.

The notification documents included the following information:

- Project name;
- Applicant name;
- Project location;
- Nature of the activity;
- Legislative requirements;
- Availability of the reports for review and comment; and
- Relevant EIMS contact person for the project.

Proof of initial notification will be included in the will be included in this report prior to submission to the DFFE.



4.1.3 SITE NOTICE PLACEMENT

Two (2) A1 Correx site notices (in English and Afrikaans) were placed at two locations along the boundary of the site on 17 March 2023. The on-site notices included the following information:

- Project name;
- Applicant name;
- Project location;
- Nature of the activity;
- Legislative requirements;
- Availability of the reports for review and comment; and
- Relevant EIMS contact person for the project.

Proof of site notice placement and distribution will be included in the will be included in this report prior to submission to the DFFE.

5 RECORD OF ISSUES RAISED

The comments presented in are those that have been received and addressed from 17 March 2023 to date and will be updated post the public review period of the EMPr and EA Motivation Report.

No comments have been received to date. All comments and/or queries received during the review period, will be included in this report prior to submission to the DFFE.

6 CONCLUSION

This report will be updated for submission to the competent authority, following the 30-day public review period of the Draft EA Motivation Report and EMPr Update and associated appendices.



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APPENDICES

Appendix 1: I&AP Database

Title	Name	Surname
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Adjacent Landowner

Ms	Magdalena Annita	Botha
Ms	Wilhette	Fourie
Ms	Christina Susanna	Human
Ms	Nomana Claudia	Lupindo
Mr	Cornelius Jansen	De Jager
Mr	Hendrik Gideon	Human
Mr	Wynand Jacobus	Human
Mr	Cornelus Louw	Viljoen
Mr	Solomzi Phineas	Mbada
Mr	Pieter	Fourie

Landowner

Mr	Jemima	Barnard
Mr	Hendirik	Human
Mrs	Hester	Meyer
Mr	Mike	Meyer

Pre-identified

	Ntombizandile	Feni
Ms	Alexia	Hlengani
	Melinda	Jansen
	Kelebogile	Moalosi
	Ziyanda	Ngidi
Dr	Hanelline	Smit
Mr	Willem	Louw
Mr	Michael	Gagblezu
	Lloyd	Barnes
	Andrew	Pearson
	Mark	Vernon
Mr	Charles	Hlebela
Mr	Werner	Kleynhans

Title	Name	Surname
	Themba	Thabethe
Ms	Thato	Nape
Mr	Busang	Sethole
Pre-identified: Competent Authority		
Ms	Azrah	Essop
Pre-identified: District Municipality		
Cllr	John	Lolwana
Mr	Rodney	Pieterse
Mr	Wavela	Renele
Pre-identified: Local Municipality		
Cllr	Gloria	Speelman
Mr	Isaac William Jimmy	Stadhouer
Pre-identified: NGO		
Mr	Patrick	Dowling
Mr	Mark	Botha
Mrs	Amanda	Bourne
	Bradley	Gibbons
Ms	Shelly	Lizzio
Pre-identified: Organ of State		
	Nicola	Abrahams
Mr	Malebo	Baloi
Mr	Lorato	Banda
Mr	J.	Fortuin
Mr	John	Geeringh
Ms	Natasha Higgitt	Higgitt
Ms	Jeanine	Julies
Ms	Deidre	Karsten
Mr	G	Mabilo
	Mmadikeledi	Malebe
Ms	Lerato	Maropong
Mr	Pabalelo	Mokale
Mr	M	Mokonoto
Mr	Herman	Mooketsi
Mr	WVD	Mothibi

Title	Name	Surname
Mr	Lungile	Motsisi
	Onwabile	Ndzumo
Mr	Kholekile	Nogwili
Mr	A	Nyakaza
Mr	Ryan	Oliver
Ms	Miriam	Phasha
Ms	Michelle	Phenya
	Mabule	R.
Mr	Herold	Roberts
Mr	Pale	Saila
Ms	H.	Samson
Mr	Steven	Shibambu
Ms	Doreen	Sithole
Mr	R.	Timothy
Mr	R.	Timothy
Mr	Brent	Whittington
Ms	Jean	Wilson

Pre-identified: Provincial Environmental Authority

Mr Thulani Mthombeni



Appendix 2: Advertisements



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NOTIFICATION: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME UPDATE AND ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AMENDMENT APPLICATION PROCESS – STRUISBULT PV2 FACILITY, COPPERTON, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

In accordance with the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (Government Notice R982 as amended, promulgated under the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998-NEMA), notice is herewith given of an application/s which will be subjected to a public participation process.

Struisbult PV2 (Pty) Ltd (hereafter referred to as Applicant) has appointed Environmental Impact Management Services (Pty) Ltd (EIMS) as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to assist with undertaking the required environmental authorisation processes, including the statutory public participation, and to compile and submit the required documentation in support of an application for:

- Environmental Authorisation (EA) Amendment in accordance with the NEMA EIA Regulations Part 1 Amendments where no change in scope or a change of ownership occur (Regulations 29-30).
- The update of the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) in compliance with the requirements of condition 13 of the EA issued for this development.

The Struisbult PV2 facility was issued an Environmental Authorisation during 2013 by the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE Ref: 12/12/20/2502). The Applicant wishes to extend the validity of the EA to allow the project to bid in future renewable energy tenders. In support of this, the DFFE has requested that additional information and motivation be provided. A motivation report has been prepared and is available for review and comment on the EIMS website as per the link below. Condition 13 of the EA issued for this development also required updates to be made to the EMPr. The EMPr has been updated and is available for review and comment on the EIMS website as per the link below.

Struisbult PV2 (Pty) Ltd proposes to construct a PV plant to generate approximately 100 MW on the farm Struisbult (Farm No. 104 Portion 1), also known as Vogelstruisbult near Copperton in the Northern Cape. Struisbult Farm borders Copperton on the eastern side of the town and covers approximately 6 194 ha. The centre point of the site is approximately 29°56'04.99"S; 22°19'52.04"E.

EIMS will be following the procedures defined in the EIA Regulations for Amendment of the EA and update of the EMPr. In accordance with Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, a public participation process will be undertaken. You are hereby invited to register and comment on the proposed project and application/s. Please note that only registered I&AP's will be informed of future project information and opportunities for participation. Please submit your comments on the Motivation Report and the Updated EMPr by no later than 19 April 2023. By registering as an interested and affected party (I&AP) you consent to the collection and processing of your personal information as per the EIMS Privacy Notice available at www.eims.co.za/public-participation. In order to avoid missing out on opportunities for public participation please submit I&AP registrations, or any queries, comments, or concerns with regards to this application, as soon as possible to EIMS at the details below. Please include the project reference number 1488 in all correspondence.

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Please include the project reference number 1488 in all

correspondence.



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KENNISGEWING: OMGEWINGSBESTUURSPROGRAMOPDATERING EN WYSIGING VAN OMGEWINGSMAGTIGING AANSOEKPROSES – STRUISBULT PV2 FASILITEIT, COPPERTON, NOORD-KAAP PROVINSIE

Ingevolge die vereistes van Hoofstuk 6 van die Omgewingsimpakstudie (OIS) regulasies (Goewermenskennisgewing 982 soos gewysig, gepromulgeer ingevolge die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur 107 van 1998-NEMA), word hiermee kennis gegee van 'n aansoek/e wat aan 'n openbaredeelneproses onderwerp sal word.

Struisbult PV2 (Pty) Ltd (hierna verwys as die Aansoeker) het Environmental Impact Management Services (Edms) Bpk (EIMS) as die Omgewingsassesseringspraktisyn (EAP) aangestel om te help met die onderneming van die vereiste omgewingsmagtigings prosesse, insluitend die statutêre publieke deelname, en om die nodige dokumentasie voor te berei en in te dien ter ondersteuning van aansoeke vir:

- Wysigingsaansoek vir Omgewingsmagtiging (OM) in ooreenstemming met die NEMA OIS-regulasies Deel 1 wysigings waar geen verandering in omvang of verandering van eienaarskap plaasvind nie (Regulasies 29-30).
- Die opdatering van die Omgewingsbestuurs Program (EMPr) in ooreenstemming met die vereistes van voorwaarde 13 van die OM wat vir hierdie ontwikkeling uitgereik is.

Die Struisbult PV2-fasiliteit is gedurende 2013 deur die Departement van Bosbou, Visserye en die Omgewing 'n Omgewingsmagtiging uitgereik (DFFE Verw: 12/12/20/2502). Die aansoeker wil die geldigheid van die OM verleng sodat die projek in toekomstige tenders vir hernubare energie kan bied. Ter ondersteuning hiervan het die DFFE versoek dat bykomende inligting en motivering verskaf word. 'n Motiveringsverslag is opgestel en is beskikbaar vir hersiening en kommentaar op die EIMS-webwerf by die onderstaande skakel. Voorwaarde 13 van die OM wat vir hierdie ontwikkeling uitgereik is, het ook vereis dat opdatings aan die EMPr gemaak moes word. Die EMPr is opgedateer en is beskikbaar vir hersiening en kommentaar op die EIMS-webwerf by die onderstaande skakel.

Struisbult PV2 (Edms) Bpk stel voor om 'n PV-aanleg te bou van ongeveer 100 MW op die plaas Struisbult (plaas nr. 104 gedeelte 1), ook bekend as Vogelstruisbult naby Copperton in die Noord-Kaap. Struisbult Farm grens aan Copperton aan die oostekant van die dorp en beslaan ongeveer 6 194 ha. Die middelpunt van die terrein is ongeveer 29°56'04.99"S; 22°19'52.04"O.

EIMS sal die prosedures volg wat in die OIS-regulasies vir wysiging van die OM en opdatering van die EMPr omskryf word. Ingevolge Hoofstuk 6 van die OIS-regulasies sal 'n openbare deelnameproses onderneem word. U word hiermee uitgenooi om te registreer en kommentaar te lewer op die voorgestelde projek en aansoek/e. Let daarop dat slegs geregistreerde I&AP's ingelig sal word oor toekomstige projekinligting en geleenthede vir deelname. Dien asseblief u kommentaar op die Motiveringsverslag en die Opgedateerde EMPr teen nie later as 19 April 2023 in nie. Deur as 'n belanghebbende en geaffekteerde party (B&GP) te registreer, stem u in tot die versameling en verwerking van u persoonlike inligting volgens die EIMS-privaatheids kennisgewing wat by www.eims.co.za/public-participation beskikbaar is. Om te verhoed dat geleenthede vir openbare deelname misgeloop word, dien asseblief B&GP-registrasies, of enige navrae, kommentaar of bekommernisse met betrekking tot hierdie aansoek, so gou as moontlik by EIMS in by die besonderhede hieronder. Sluit asb. die projek verwysingsnommer 1488 in alle korrespondensie in.

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Applicant: Struisbult PV2 (Pty) Ltd

Application/s: Environmental Authorisation (EA) Amendment Application in accordance with the NEMA EIA Regulations Part 1 Amendments where no change in scope or a change of ownership occur (Regulations 29-30). The update of the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) in compliance with the requirements of condition 13 of the EA issued for this development.

Location: Struisbult PV2 (Pty) Ltd proposes to construct a PV plant to generate approximately 100 MW on the farm Struisbult (Farm No. 104 Portion 1), also known as Vogelstruisbult near Copperton in the Northern Cape. Struisbult Farm borders Copperton on the eastern side of the town and covers approximately 6 194 ha. The centre point of the site is approximately 29°56'04.99"S; 22°19'52.04"E.

Activity: The Struisbult PV2 facility was issued an Environmental Authorisation during 2013 by the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE Ref: 12/12/20/2502). The Applicant wishes to extend the validity of the EA to allow the project to bid in future renewable energy tenders. In support of this, the DFFE has requested that additional information and motivation be provided. A motivation report has been prepared and is available for review and comment on the EIMS website as per the link below. Condition 13 of the EA issued for this development also required updates to be made to the EMPr. The EMPr has been updated and is available for review and comment on the EIMS website as per the link below.

Public Participation: EIMS will be following the procedures defined in the EIA Regulations for Amendment of the EA and update of the EMPr. In accordance with Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, a public participation process will be undertaken. You are hereby invited to register and comment on the proposed project and application/s. Please note that only registered I&AP's will be informed of future project information and opportunities for participation. Please submit your comments on the Motivation Report and the Updated EMPr by no later than 19 April 2023.

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Aansoeker: Struisbult PV2 (Pty) Ltd

Aansoek/e: Wysigingsaansoek vir Omgewings magtiging (OM) in ooreenstemming met die NEMA OIS-regulasies Deel 1 wysigings waar geen verandering in omvang of verandering van eienaarskap plaasvind nie (Regulasies 29-30). Die opdatering van die Omgewingsbestuurs Program (EMPr) in ooreenstemming met die vereistes van voorwaarde 13 van die OM wat vir hierdie ontwikkeling uitgereik is.

Ligging Struisbult PV2 (Edms) Bpk stel voor om 'n PV-aanleg te bou van ongeveer 100 MW op die plaas Struisbult (plaas nr. 104 gedeelte 1), ook bekend as Vogelstruisbult naby Copperton in die Noord-Kaap. Struisbult Farm grens aan Copperton aan die oostekant van die dorp en beslaan ongeveer 6 194 ha. Die middelpunt van die terrein is ongeveer 29°56'04.99"S; 22°19'52.04"O.

Aktiwiteit: Die Struisbult PV2-fasiliteit is gedurende 2013 deur die Departement van Bosbou, Visserye en die Omgewing 'n Omgewingsmagtiging uitgereik (DFFE Verw: 12/12/20/2502). Die aansoeker wil die geldigheid van die OM verleng sodat die projek in toekomstige tenders vir hernubare energie kan bid. Ter ondersteuning hiervan het die DFFE versoek dat bykomende inligting en motivering verskaf word. 'n Motiveringsverslag is opgestel en is beskikbaar vir hersiening en kommentaar op die EIMS-webwerf by die onderstaande skakel. Voorwaarde 13 van die OM wat vir hierdie ontwikkeling uitgereik is, het ook vereis dat opdatings aan die EMPr gemaak moes word. Die EMPr is opgedateer en is beskikbaar vir hersiening en kommentaar op die EIMS-webwerf by die onderstaande skakel.

Publieke Deelname: EIMS sal die prosedures volg wat in die OIS-regulasies vir wysiging van die OM en opdatering van die EMPr omskryf word. Ingevolge Hoofstuk 6 van die OIS-regulasies sal 'n openbare deelnameproses onderneem word. U word hiermee uitgenooi om te registreer en kommentaar te lewer op die voorgestelde projek en aansoek/e. Let daarop dat slegs geregistreerde I&AP's ingelig sal word oor toekomstige projekinligting en geleenthede vir deelname. Dien asseblief u kommentaar op die Motiveringsverslag en die Opgedateerde EMPr teen nie later as 19 April 2023 in nie.

Deur as 'n belanghebbende en geaffekteerde party (B&GP) te registreer, stem u in tot die versameling en verwerking van u persoonlike inligting volgens die EIMS-privaatheids kennisgewing wat by www.eims.co.za/public-participation beskikbaar is. Om te verhoed dat geleenthede vir openbare deelname misgeloop word, dien asseblief B&GP-registrasies, of enige navrae, kommentaar of bekommernisse met betrekking tot hierdie aansoek, so gou as moontlik by EIMS in by die besonderhede hieronder. Sluit asb. die projek verwysingsnommer **1488** in alle korrespondensie in.

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