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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

As I sit in my office writing my first ever column this evening after returning from the SDTA Convention in Deadwood, where I was handed the reigns and named your new Chairman, I wonder, "What have I gotten myself into?"

The convention was a great success. We had great attendance and informative sessions! It is always good to renew friendships.

I would like to touch on the Wholestone foods issue. From my perspective, it looks like Mr. Jeff Broin is biting the hand that feeds him. If I were a corn or pork producer, I would have to reevaluate where I sell my products.

If you want to do business with agriculture, you should support them instead of trying to discourage the development of a new market.

If I was on Poet's Board of Directors, I would be asking some very hard questions.

I want to thank Jerry Ollerich as he completed his position as Chairman of the Board at the Annual Convention. Jerry passed the gavel my way after serving eight of his ten year term on the Executive Board of Directors. He still has two years left to serve as the Past Chairman.

I look forward to the time I will serve as your Chairman of the Board. Please let me know if there is anything you need from me or from the Association.

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Greetings,

What a month it has been with some back-to-back events. With that said, I also made it to my 1 year work anniversary. THANK YOU for trusting me to lead your association. I CANNOT believe it's been a full year and I still have so much growing and learning to do.

A huge thank you to all of you that were able to make it to the SDTA Annual Convention. We tried to balance the fun with information as well as celebrate all the hard work of the drivers and trucking businesses. Deadwood never seems to disappoint as a great location. We were able to talk more about the workforce challenges we are all experiencing with recruiting qualified CDL drivers. If you haven't checked out our new program, please do so at SouthDakotaCDL.com. We, as an association, want to find added value for you as members, and we hope this is just one of the many new ways.

In years past, our association didn't always take a position on local "issues". However, this past May, the Executive Board unanimously voted to take a position on the upcoming vote in Sioux Falls on the Wholestone Farms hog processing facility. This processing facility is owned by local farmers and will process 6 million hogs annually. So why does SDTA care? This is really two-fold. For starters, how does one foresee these animals being transported? By you all, that's how. Second, this is an opportunity for our number one industry to continue to thrive and grow. It is located right off the interstate, with water discharge capacity and in close proximity to the Sioux Falls Waste Water Facility. The dangerous precedent this sets in terms of development could directly impact you with the swoop of a few signatures. "Hey, come to South Dakota, but only if we like your industry." If you live within the city limits of Sioux Falls, you have a real opportunity to have your voice heard on this issue by voting on November 8th.

For more information about the campaign, head to SiouxFallsOpenforBusiness.com, and for more information on the specific details of the Wholestone project, check out <https://wholestone-farms.com/sioux-falls/>. You can also see the numerous organizations that signed on to the op-ed on page 34 of this publication.

Vote NO on November 8th on the Slaughterhouse Ban.

As always, reach out to our office anytime if there is anything we can do for you. We are stronger together.

Onward,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Christine M. Erickson".

Christine M. Erickson, SDTA President

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Josh is a great example of what a truck driver should be! He takes dispatch and delivers the load! He has never received a complaint or been confrontational with a customer, the shop, or the public.

Josh is easy going. He helps fellow drivers if a family situation occurs where they need time off.

Josh found out a couple of weeks prior to the competition that he would be competing in the SD Truck Driving Championships. He was given his Facts For Drivers book and began to study. As a rookie competitor, Josh scored the highest out of all of the competitors, winning him the Chuck Fjellin Award.

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Craig Ellingson (Sleeper) Kevin Woods (Flatbed) Jeremy Senger (5-Axle) Dean Bowar (4-Axle) Mike Whitehead (Twins) Jason Skotvold (3-Axle) Teri Spencer (Straight) Gary Schmidt (Tank)



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SDHP Trooper Trey Bedford, Rapid City Mobile Team, competed in the 2022 NAIC competition, held in conjunction with the NTDC's.

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Congratulations

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August 31, 2022 9:50 AM, EDT

It's been seven years in the making, but the Federal Motor Carriers Safety Administration has released a draft copy of the Medical Examiners Handbook that offers revised guidance to help examiners ensure that truck drivers are in good health.

It was in 2015 that FMCSA pulled down the prior examiners handbook from the internet, generally leaving thousands of examiners to fend for themselves in using best medical practices when they screen drivers at least every two years.

FMCSA is seeking comment on the draft handbook, which has been shortened to 116 pages from 260 pages, through Sept. 30. At press time, very few comments had been filed.

The medical examinations are critical to confirming that drivers do not have serious medical conditions that could risk public safety.

Not all of the thousands of examiners listed to the agency's registry are medical doctors or doctors of osteopathic medicine. FMCSA allows states to decide who gets legal certification to practice medicine, which means some of the examiners are chiropractors or even physical therapists, according to Dr. Brian Morris, an M.D. who sits on FMCSA's Medical Review Board.

"So they're giving more discretion to individuals who by the very nature of their academic training, probably aren't that qualified to make some of these complex decisions," Morris said. "So in some ways it would be better to have more guidance, a more rigid approach than a looser approach."

"Even in all the categories of examiners some of the M.D.s and D.O.s could be pathologists, maybe they did training 30 years ago, or have never treated diabetics," said Dr. Natalie Hartenbaum, a medical doctor and widely recognized expert in occupational fitness and truck driver health.

It helps somewhat that all those certified as FMCSA medical examiners must take a refresher course after five years, and a class and multiple choice test after ten years, Morris said.

Morris, corporate director of medical surveillance for Boston-based OccMed Consulting & Injury Care, said the new handbook actually gives the examiner more power — and potential liability — to make the final decision whether to grant a driver a medical certification card. The handbook is intended to offer guidance or accepted best medical practices for examiners, but in most cases are not regulatory mandates, he said.

Should it be mandatory?

"Oh, yeah," Morris said. "That's what the medical review board wanted way back when."

At a meeting in 2019, the review board discussed the specifics of several changes or additions to the handbook, ranging from guidance for insulin-dependent diabetics and monocular drivers to obstructive sleep apnea and high blood pressure.

Hartenbaum said the handbook revision fails to provide guidance for those examiners who may have never treated seizures, diabetes or prescribed various medications.

"I think there is much less direction, guidance or starting points," Hartenbaum said. "I think in some areas, like for cardiac, the guidance is helpful. In other areas there are conference reports, medical expert panel recommendations, evidence-based reviews and there are medical review board recommendations — which all would have been useful references for examiners who may have less knowledge about specific conditions."

Hartenbaum said while there has been guidance for insulin-treated diabetes there is now no information on how to treat noninsulin diabetics.

"Diabetes in and of itself if poorly controlled can cause acute impairment or incapacitation," Hartenbaum said.

The revisions of the handbook took seven years because "there were a lot of different opinions about what should be included, and what should not," according to Hartenbaum.

Morris said part of the reason for the delay was due to the fact that the agency did not have a chief medical officer for a good number of years. "They hired a new chief medical officer, Joseph Sentef, two or three years ago."

"Part of his job was to work on rewriting the medical handbook, and he did do a terrific job. He put a tremendous effort into it," Morris said.

Hartenbaum added, "Unfortunately too many medical examiners haven't understood what the purpose of the handbook was. Too many examiners looked at it that these are requirements. They never were. They were always a starting point. The handbook should never have been a cookbook."



Hartenbaum

for copy of draft visit: https://www.ttnews.com/articles/fmcsa-releases-draft-medical-examiners-handbook?utm_source=expressB&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_campaign=newsletter&mktid=225834&mkt_tok=0TA1LUJCVy04NzYAAAGGk5rUkXrkibtMCqSwNTB1z3LnsDI6nuhe4r8_91gUn_v1vSVsRIPi4mL0gXOKA_bpfqspPrr5L_d3ag68nU4_X0K0qJncYaBwhez5LnTPirY



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Josh & Mandy Schipper

3rd place



Third Place:
Denny Aune & Staci Bennett

... Roundtable

Discussions ...



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- 1) Updates from the SD Highway Patrol
- 2) SD Motor Vehicle Division - SD Dept. of Revenue Supervisor Darrin Garry & FMCSA Director Cindy Gerber
- 3) Job Descriptions - What Do They Mean When It Comes To Workers Compensation?

Once the rotations were complete, the group gathered to talk about that the SDTA Safety Management Council is and what they do.

Thank you to all who attended the 67th Annual SDTA Convention, held at the Deadwood Mountain Grand Hotel & Casino!



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Pictured below: Mike Habeck, Jánet Eastman & Sam Habeck



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Working To Impact Our Members' Workforce

Our CDL Theory Training Program

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Even if a student isn't from this area, they can still take our CDL Theory training. Our curriculum is fully compliant with the current FMCSA ELDT Training standards and we are a member in good standing of the Training Provider Registry as a Theory provider.

Once a student has completed our ELDT Theory they will need to get Behind-the-Wheel training before they can take the third party test to get their CDL.

Our Behind the Wheel Partners

The problem with Theory only programs is that students can't get their CDL if they only complete Theory! How will they get connected with a local company and get the training they need to get on the road?

That is our niche! We want our students to find their dream job right here in South Dakota, so we have created a directory for SDTA member businesses that are willing to take on individuals with a CLP and help them get Behind-the-Wheel training or be referred to a Behind-the-Wheel trainer to get their full CDL.

If your company is interested in being listed as a Behind the Wheel Partner, please call SDTA today!

How It Works



Theory Training

This portion is completed fully online. A student can do it in the comfort of their own home. This program meets and exceeds the federal minimum standard for Theory training. The training should take approximately 13 hours to complete.

Member: \$300 Non-Member: \$350



Behind-the-Wheel Training

This portion of the training happens in a truck with a trainer who is an experienced CDL holder. A student can do our Theory training and find their own Range and Road Training, or they can go with one of our recommended companies and get both training and possibly a job!



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For more information on our online training program or to sign up, please call the SDTA office.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO

***Blachowske Truck Line, Inc.
Brandon, SD***

Blachowske was named as the Partnership in Safety Winner by Captain John Broers of the SD Highway Patrol.

Each year, a committee votes on a trucking member of SDTA that has gone above and beyond to lower their CSA scores.

Blachowske Truck Line, Inc., Brandon, SD, was not able to attend the convention in Deadwood. Captain Broers will make a personal stop to their shop to deliver the good news!



What a great looking head table



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2022 SAFETY DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR - DAVE DAILEY, JOHNSON FEED, INC.



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The person in charge of the safety department covering this fleet is JFI's Safety Director, Dave Dailey. Dave started working for JFI in August 2019.

He came to JFI with a lot of experience. Dave has been a Professional Truck Driver, a Human Resources Manager, a Terminal Manager, a Safety Supervisor and the position he currently holds as JFI's Safety Manager.

Dave was put on the SDTA Board of Directors shortly after he came to JFI. He has also been an instrumental member of the SDTA Safety Management Council. The Safety Management Council meets monthly as a group of safety professionals networking for common goal.

Glade Evenson has designed the skills course for the SD Truck Driving Championships competition for many years. He recently retired from Southeast Technical College. At that time he also decided to retire from designing the skills course. Dave instantly stepped up to fill those big shoes. He has quickly proven he knows what he's doing, as he managed the Champions Practice in late July with ease. Dave has been involved in several state truck driving competitions, as well as volunteering at the National Truck Driving Championships. We appreciate his knowledge and that he puts 100% into it.

Dave has been actively promoting his best drivers by nominating them into the SDTA Driver of the Month pool. Each month, at the SDTA Safety Management Council meetings, a driver is voted on from the pool of nominations. JFI has never been more active, largely in part to the efforts Dave puts into his work! He truly appreciates the drivers.

Dave has been trained through the North American Transportation Management Institute (NATMI) as a Certified Director of Safety. He has also been certified in Homeland Security through the Department of Homeland Security.

It's because of these things, and so much more that it was an easy decision for Todd Johnson, owner of JFI, to nominate Dave Dailey for the 2022 Safety Director of the Year.

Congratulations

2022 CHAIRMAN'S AWARD - JEAN OLLERICH, JERRY OLLERICH TRUCKING



It was with great pride that Chairman Jerry Ollerich announced the Chairman's Award at the 2022 Chairman's Banquet. Jerry noted that this year's recipient runs things from behind the scenes. Whether she is working with the drivers, or preparing safety reports, she's been working in the trucking industry for 50+ years. Jean Ollerich has played a major role in the success of Jerry Ollerich Trucking. Jerry pointed out he has been a SDTA member for 40+ years - all of which Jean was right by his side.

It's great to see such a strong, successful and happy couple get the recognition they deserve.

Jean and Jerry continue to support SDTA and the industry with everything they have!

DID YOU MISS THE CONVENTION? THIS IS JUST SOME OF WHAT YOU MISSED.



One of Many SDTA Power Couples



Comaraderie!!!



Mr. & Mrs. Vinatieri joined us for the Annual Convention

FROM ALL OF US AT SDTA, WE WANT TO THANK THESE TWO FOR BRINGING US CHRISTINE. SHE'S THE BEST!



New Motor Carrier Connect (MCT) software went live on September 12, 2022. Darrin Gerry, Revenue Supervisor for Motor Carrier Services and his staff were at the Convention with multiple stations for members to sign into. Members could either log into their own site, or use a demo version to review.



Great Food = Great People





President Erickson took a break from throwing bean bags to bust out her dance moves. Thanks to Steve Hoffman, Mid States Transport, who is always ready with his camera and captured this Kodak Moment!

Business Session 1:

What should your company be preparing for now?

Dan Horvath, ATA's Vice President of Safety Policy, provided a safety update covering the latest safety regulatory topics from FMCSA. He covered hours-of-service, drug and alcohol testing, proposed changes to driver medical qualifications, and more.

We thank Dan for taking the time to talk to us. He thoroughly enjoyed his first trip to the Hills.



Next Year's Convention:

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Jere Rions

2022 SDTA Driver of the Year

Pictured left:
Lane, Marcella, Jere & Jace Rions

Jere Rions, professional truck driver for Old Dominion Freight Line, Sioux Falls, SD, was one of twelve drivers eligible for the title Driver of the Year.

Jere has been in the trucking industry for over 30 years. He has acquired over one million accident-free (minus being rear-ended by a drunk driver in 2014). He is very active in the South Dakota Truck Driving Championships. When he wasn't competing, he was participating as a volunteer.

In the words of his manager, "Mr. Rions is an amazing example of what a professional driver is expected to be. Each and every day he brings a positive attitude along with an amazing work ethic. He is ready and willing to help in any way possible."

Jere interviewed with eleven of the twelve drivers to earn this title. Each driver was asked the same five question and were given six minutes to answer. The driver who scores the highest scores earns the title of Driver of the Year. Congratulations Jere!

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ANNUAL PHEASANT HUNT ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2022

Leaving from Hutch's Cafe (308 East Hwy 16, Presho, SD) 9:15 a.m. **ALL SDTA MEMBERS WELCOME!**

- come earlier if you want to eat breakfast

Yes I plan to attend the Pheasant Hunt. No I do not plan to attend the Pheasant Hunt.

FALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2022

Starting at 10:00 a.m. at the RedRossa (808 W. Sioux Ave., Pierre).

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Extension of the Modified Emergency Declaration No. 2020-002 Under 49 CFR § 390.25 (August 31, 2022)

Only hours before the COVID HOS waiver was to end at Midnight, the FMCSA posted on their website, an extension until October 15th, 2022. Despite the bureaucratic and political machinations in Washington, D.C., it would show respect to the regulated entities to notify them in a timelier manner.

For over a year, the FMCSA has been collecting data from the carriers using the exemption. That data, and carrier information collected from inspections, gives the FMCSA a broad picture of the effect of the HOS exemption on safety.

<https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov/emergency/extension-modified-emergency-declaration-no-2020-002-under-49-cfr-ss-39025-august-31-2022>

We have copied part of the declaration here but I recommend reading it in its entirety at the link.

By execution of this extension of the modified Emergency Declaration No. 2020-002, motor carriers and drivers providing direct assistance in support of relief efforts related to the COVID-19 public health emergency are granted emergency relief from 49 CFR § 395.3, maximum driving time for property-carrying vehicles, except as restricted herein. Direct assistance means transportation and other relief services provided by a motor carrier or its driver(s) incident to the immediate restoration of essential services (such as medical care) or essential supplies related to COVID-19 during the emergency.

The extension of the modified Emergency Declaration No. 2020-002 provides regulatory relief for commercial motor vehicle operations providing direct assistance in support of emergency relief efforts related to COVID-19 and is limited to transportation of (1) livestock and livestock feed; (2) medical supplies and equipment related to the testing, diagnosis, and treatment of COVID-19; (3) vaccines, constituent products, and medical supplies and equipment including ancillary supplies/kits for the administration of vaccines, related to the prevention of COVID-19; (4) supplies and equipment necessary for community safety, sanitation, and prevention of community transmission of COVID-19 such as masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, soap, and disinfectants; (5) food, paper products, and other groceries for emergency restocking of distribution centers or stores; and (6) gasoline, diesel, diesel exhaust fluid (DEF), jet fuel, ethyl alcohol, and heating fuel including propane, natural gas, and heating oil. Direct assistance does not include non-emergency transportation of qualifying commodities or routine commercial deliveries, including mixed loads with a nominal quantity of qualifying emergency relief added to obtain the benefits of this emergency declaration. To be eligible for the exemption, the transportation must be both (i) of qualifying commodities and (ii) incident to the immediate restoration of those essential supplies.

In accordance with 49 CFR § 390.25, this extension of the modified Emergency Declaration No. 2020-002 is effective at 12:00 A.M. (ET), September 1, 2022, and shall remain in effect until 11:59 P.M. (ET), October 15, 2022, unless modified or terminated sooner by FMCSA. ■



Special Thanks To Steve Hoffman For Helping Take Pictures at the 2022 SDTA Convention

Steve Hoffman, Mid States Transport, Sioux Falls, SD, for those of you that don't know, is an AMAZING photographer. He has helped out SDTA on more than one occasion as our secondary photographer. On opening night of the convention, the staff quickly realized we needed another set of hands. Without hesitation, Steve volunteered to grab his camera and take pictures during the Let's Make a Deal games. He didn't stop taking photos until the conclusion of the Chairman's Banquet. Thanks Steve! You are a one-of-a-kind and we appreciate you!!!

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Vote No on Zoning Ordinance Change

To the Editor,

As a coalition of business and agricultural organizations, we believe it is vitally important to protect opportunities for the next generation of Sioux Falls residents, as well as the future of farmers and ranchers in South Dakota. That's why when citizens head to the ballot box this November, we're encouraging a no vote on the proposed amendment to Chapter 160 of the city's zoning ordinances.

Voters will choose between maintaining Sioux Falls and South Dakota as a premier opportunity for the next generation of innovators and entrepreneurs, or closing the door on those who wish to build a future here.

The proposed change sets a dangerous precedent by seeking to override the local zoning process. Existing procedures allow for local control and public input in establishing zoning ordinances, which set the playing rules for all would-be developments. These policies provide a framework for successful development with reasonable, responsible management and careful oversight. The proposed amendment undermines that process.

If you're borrowing millions of dollars to bring a new business to our community, you need to know that your investment will not be wasted. We believe the effort to alter Sioux Falls' city ordinances undercuts that certainty by changing the rules in the middle of the game.

This proposal will also hinder efforts to support locally grown and sourced food, which many recognize as important to food access and security. If adopted, this ordinance would, for example, prohibit a new Mom & Pop butcher shop from opening anywhere within Sioux Falls. Such a blanket prohibition seems contrary to many of the local food efforts made in recent years.

We encourage you to vote no on the proposed amendment to Sioux Falls' zoning ordinances.

- Ag United for South Dakota
- East River Electric Power Cooperative
- Greater Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce
- South Dakota Agri-Business Association
- South Dakota Association of Cooperatives
- South Dakota Cattlemen's Association
- South Dakota Corn Growers Association
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For those who are unable to get to Sioux Falls for the meeting, we have the option to join in via Zoom. You will definitely get a lot of safety-related information by joining in on the meetings. Below is the registration form for all who are interested.

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- **Annual SDTA Convention - Deadwood Mountain Grand, September 14-16, 2022**
- **Annual guided pheasant hunt Thursday, November 10, 2022 - Meet @ Hutch's Cafe in Presho 9:00 a.m.**
- **SDTA Fall Board of Directors Meeting - Executive Committee will meet at 8:00 a.m. with the full board to convene at 10:00 a.m. all at RedRossa, Pierre, SD on Friday, November 11, 2022.**
- **West River Legislative Reception - 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Minerva's in Rapid City - November 29, 2022.**
- **East River Legislative Reception (NextGen Group meeting at 4:30) - Minerva's in Sioux Falls Thursday, December 1, 2022, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.**
- **Winter Executive Committee Meeting - 10:00 a.m. on Monday, February 13, 2023 at the Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center, Pierre. Followed by the Winter Board of Directors Meeting at 12:30 p.m. The Winter Reception with Legislators will follow at 6:00 p.m. All events of the day are scheduled at the Ramkota Hotel & Conference Center in Pierre.**





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Steven A. 'Pee Wee' Kotalik, age 63 of Yankton, SD passed away on Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at Avera McKennan Hospital, in Sioux Falls, SD.

Steve was the brother of Tim Kotalik, Wilson Trailer Company. Please keep the Kotalik family in your thoughts and in your prayers!



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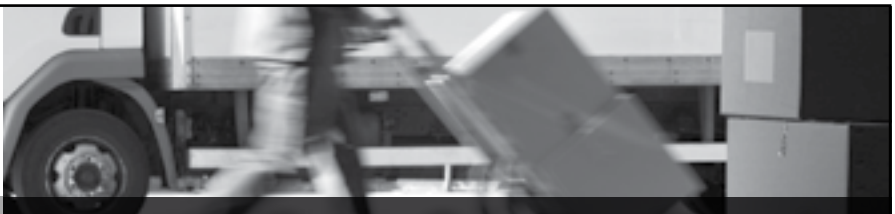
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Josh Bultsma, son of David and Brenda, heard about the Stop ALS TDC t-shirts and asked if they could order some for the Bultsma family.

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