



PDAC Activities and Canadian Exploration News

Board backs map staking

The PDAC Board of Directors has voted to support map staking in certain situations, but emphasizes that map staking is not meant to replace ground staking.

At its January meeting, the board approved a report on land acquisition that was drawn up by an ad hoc committee of the board.

The report recommended that map staking be adopted in surveyed areas, with staked areas following the cadastral survey boundaries. Map staking may also be adopted in areas remote from infrastructure and communities, with staked areas based on the NAD 83 UTM grid.

The report further recommended that right of access to explore and develop be guaranteed in any change to the acts and regulations, and that the cost to apply for a map-staked claim be the same as the cost to record a physically-staked claim.

The board accepted all the recommendations.

The issue of map staking arose at the PDAC's 2003 annual meeting when a motion called on the association to advocate map staking as a strategy for acquiring mineral rights in Canada. The PDAC subsequently formed the ad hoc committee to assess the situation and make recommendations.

Under chair Brian Groves, the committee sought input from PDAC members and industry representatives. It found that the method of land tenure and acquisition varied widely across Canada but in recent years several jurisdictions have moved to map staking.

The full report can be found at www.pdac.ca.

The most successful convention ever

The excitement was palpable.

In the months leading up to the 72nd PDAC International Convention, more than 6,600 registrations flowed in, and by the time the convention closed, 9,200 delegates had registered.

It was the largest-ever attendance at a PDAC convention (Mining Millennium 2000 was jointly run with the CIM). Hallways were crowded and at times it was hard to get through the masses of people thronging the aisles of the Investors Exchange and Trade Show. A large room set aside for a technical program on diamonds was filled. A sister program on gold that occurred simultaneously drew hundreds more people.

It was all a sign that the upcurve is well underway. Metal prices are turning the industry around, in part because of the "unhedging" of gold, according to Martin Murenbeeld of Murenbeeld and Associates of Victoria, B.C., and the Canadian share of worldwide exploration dollars is rising rapidly.

In Canada, the turnaround in the indus-

Optimism was all around as crowds thronged the aisles at the 2004 PDAC International Convention

try has been driven by the "super" flow-through share program, diamonds and new discoveries. In the world, China is continuing to produce an insatiable demand as its growth is moving from export-led to consumer-led. The country is entering its second great consumer boom and a period of robust demand for metals, according to Peter O'Connor, IMS Investment Management Selection Limited of London, England.

And as its domestic production increases, O'Connor predicts China will become a significant investor overseas as it seeks to guarantee supplies of energy and metals over the next 20 or 30 years.

It is all leading to what O'Connor foresees as a bull market in metal prices. Cheering words for an industry that has been in decline for eight years, and a sentiment that was echoed in hundreds of conversations on the convention floor.

Mary-Claire Ward



Mary-Claire Ward, a director of the PDAC and chairman of Watts, Griffis and McOuat Limited, has died after a long battle with cancer.

Mary-Claire was given a Special Achievement Award in March to recognize her passionate championing of the geosciences (see p. 4).

Tony Andrews, executive director of the PDAC, paid tribute to her.

"Mary-Claire was the kind of director every non-profit organization like the PDAC would hope to attract to its board," he said. "She was most generous with her time, intellectual capacity and leadership. We will all miss her as an advocate for geoscience and as a delightful individual who was friendly, supportive and endowed with great wit."

Born in Dublin, Mary-Claire came to Canada in 1967 and joined Watts Griffis in 1981. She believed that government-led geoscience should be regarded as an investment that benefits governments, local people and the industry. She served as a councillor, vice-president and president with the Geological Association of Canada. That led her to the PDAC where she was a director and chair of the geoscience committee.

Mary-Claire is survived by her husband, Sandy and children David, Robin and granddaughter, Isabelle.

The Mary-Claire Ward Geoscience Award has been established by a number of organizations with which Mary-Claire was involved and by her many colleagues and friends. The award will be presented annually to a post-graduate student in geology at a Canadian university. For more information about the award or to make a donation, please go to www.pdac.ca.

Dimmell appointed president, Dillon elected 2nd VP

Peter Dimmell, winner of the 2002 PDAC Distinguished Service Award, is the new president of the PDAC, and long-time PDAC volunteer Patricia Dillon has been elected by the PDAC board as the association's second vice president. Dimmell was first elected to the board in 1995. He is the first PDAC president to hail from outside Toronto. Dillon has been a director of the organization since 1993, chair of its education committee and a member of its lands and mining regulations committees. She helped establish the Mining Matters educational program.

Serving on the board is a new slate of directors elected or re-elected at the association's annual meeting, held during the convention last month.

They are: Jon Baird, Toronto, Ont.; Lynda Bloom, Toronto, Ont.; Don Bubar, Toronto, Ont.; Normand Champigny, Montreal, Que.; Al Doherty, Whitehorse, Yukon; André Gaumond, Montreal, Que.; Joe Hamilton, Toronto, Ont.; Colin McKenzie, Toronto, Ont.; John Paterson, Toronto, Ont.; Robert Schafer, Salt Lake City, Utah, U.S.A.; Anne Slivitzky, Montreal, Que.; Mark Smith, Toronto, Ont.; Karen Sutherland, Toronto, Ont.; Hervé Thiboutot, Toronto, Ont.; Ian Thomson, Vancouver, B.C. and Robert Whittall, Toronto, Ont.



Peter Dimmell

Industries reach agreement over government approvals

Industries in the resource sector have reached agreement with the federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans to streamline the approval process for simple projects such as culverts or winter roads.

The agreement arose out of a workshop sponsored by the Coalition of Resource Industries for Stewardship to obtain a more efficient and effective implementation of the federal Fisheries Act. The workshop sought a collaborative approach for the protection of fish habitat while allowing resource industries to develop low-impact projects in a timely, cost-effective way.

"It is hoped that this is the start of a

two or three-year commitment to develop a generic memorandum of understanding that will incorporate as many things as possible into this streamlined process," said issues director David Comba.

The Calgary conference was attended by representatives of the mining, oil and gas and forest products industries, and senior representatives from the DFO.

Other PDAC representatives attending were: Bruce Jenkins of the Hunter Dickinson Group representing the B.C. and Yukon Chamber of Mines; Justyna Laurie-Lean of the Mining Association of Canada and Shirley Standafer-Pfister of DeBeers Canada (Yellowknife).

Guidelines available

The Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (CIM) has adopted best practice guidelines for the estimation of mineral resources and reserves. They are available in pdf format on the CIM web site, www.cim.org/committees/estimation2003.pdf.

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PDAC wins one-year flow-through extension

The PDAC has applauded the one-year extension of the “super” flow-through share program, announced by the federal government in the March budget.

Originally due to expire at the end of this year, the Investment Tax Credit for Exploration in Canada (ITCE) has extended the “buy” period for investors to Dec. 31, 2005. For companies wishing to use “the look back” rule, the expenditure deadline now becomes Dec. 31, 2006.

“I am delighted with the announcement,” says PDAC past president Bill Mercer. “The PDAC estimates that the ITCE program has raised more than \$750 million for flow-through-financed grassroots mineral exploration in Canada to

the end of 2003.”

The money put up by investors is primarily spent in rural and northern Canada, he added, making it one of the most innovative and cost-effective systems of transfer payments ever devised.

“Governments are not involved in deciding where the money is to be allocated,” he explained.

There was more good news for the industry at the end of March.

The Quebec government announced it was making permanent the fiscal measures of the province’s flow-through system. It has also increased the reimbursable tax credit for non-operating companies not spending flow-through dollars.

Comba named distinguished lecturer

PDAC issues director David Comba is to receive the CIM’s Distinguished Lecturer Award on May 10 in Edmonton, Alta.

For the next 12 months, from June 1 this year to the end of May, 2005, he will visit CIM branches, presenting a report card on the flow-through share program.

A former field geologist and vice president of exploration for Falconbridge Gold, Comba put together the coalition of stakeholders and industry associations that led the federal government to reintroduce the “super” flow-through share program in 2000.

Work starts on aboriginal tool kit

A tool kit to explain the mining industry to aboriginal communities is now under development and expected to be available by January 2005.

A survey conducted last year among aboriginal communities with exposure to the industry revealed the need for the kit.

Five partners are developing the kit: the PDAC, Natural Resources Canada (NRCAN), Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, the Canadian Aboriginal Minerals Association (CAMA) and the Mining Association of Canada.

With the tool kit, aboriginal communities, decision-makers and economic development officers will be better able to understand the mining industry and its potential benefits to their communities. It will provide the basic information required for sound decision-making, and will assist in building aboriginal-industry understanding and partnerships.

More specifically, the kit will strengthen the ability of aboriginal communities to understand all aspects of the industry, from prospecting to mine closure. It will also enhance mining’s contribution to aboriginal communities, especially through economic and business opportunities.

An advisory committee to direct the project has been set up under co-chairs Tony Andrews, executive director of the PDAC, and Brian Calvert of NRCAN. Hans Matthews of CAMA is project manager.

The first task is to develop a prototype tool kit comprising several modules. This will be tested with key aboriginal community

representatives before development of a final kit that can be customized to fit various locations and circumstances.

“At this point, the project is proceeding well,” says Andrews, adding that preparation of the three- to four-page modules has already begun.

Subjects covered by the modules include: understanding the mining cycle, federal legislation and developing a community mineral strategy.

Workshop held for African companies

PDAC director Robert Schafer and issues director David Comba attended the Indaba mineral exploration convention held in South Africa in February.

Two workshops were held prior to the convention to promote Canada as a place to do business.

Comba acted as moderator at one of the workshops that brought together Canadian junior mining companies and South African black empowerment companies (companies that under the national mining act provide opportunities for blacks to become equal partners). The goal of the session was to persuade South African mining companies to list on Canadian stock exchanges and raise money in Canada.

A second workshop with a similar purpose was held for African companies outside South Africa.

The world came to Toronto

The PDAC International Convention opened on an optimistic note, as newly appointed Minister of Natural Resources John Efford pledged that the Canadian government would deal with the red tape plaguing the industry.

"I know it's a regulatory nightmare for the industry to move forward," he said. "You will see a positive move in your favour in that direction."

Moving forward was the theme of Efford's remarks to the convention. He acknowledged the value of the mining industry sector to the country, and noted that if industry stakeholders do not move forward, it causes the economy to dip and employment to drop.

"We must put policies in place so you can move forward and the economy and country (can) move forward," he said.

For the first time, a mayor of Toronto came to extend the city's greetings to PDAC delegates.

Mayor David Miller called attention to Toronto's place as the finance capital of the world, and welcomed the \$12 million impact the four-day convention has on the city's economy. He noted that all delegates should feel at home in Toronto, whose diverse population represents virtually every country in the world.

And the world certainly came to this convention, representing 85 countries in all. There were major national technical sessions on China and India, and technical papers from Australia, Mexico, New Zealand, South Africa and Argentina.

At the second-floor Trade Show, you could find more nationalities: Russians, Finns, Japanese, Irish, Swedes, New Zealanders, Saudi Arabians and many others.

The Trade Show received special emphasis this year. On Tuesday afternoon, the convention program was suspended so del-

egates could have time to visit the 297 companies and organizations exhibiting in 454 booths. And, for the first time, a daily Innovation Forum allowed exhibitors to show off an alphabet of new technology that ranged from airborne gravity gradiometry to web site content.

As always, there was a massive Canadian presence both among the delegates and at the Trade Show and Investors Exchange, with people present from every part of the country. As several delegates said, it is a once-a-year opportunity to get together with others in the industry and to do some important networking.

The Core Shack, located just outside the halls where the technical sessions took place, enjoyed a steady flow of visitors throughout the four days. In the Trade Show, the major mining provinces set up impressive pavilions.

With the rise in the price of gold, the Investors Exchange was booming throughout the convention. Long before the convention opened, the exhibit space was sold out and extra rooms had to be set up to accommodate all 331 exploration and mining companies occupying 352 booths.

As always, social events were a significant part of the program, starting with an opening reception on Sunday evening, Mar. 7.

Monday, Mar. 8 was Awards Night, when the 2004 PDAC Awards were presented to those who have exhibited excellence and achievement in the minerals industry. The following evening was the traditional Mining Night, a party with beer and a band, and it all wrapped up with a Wrap Party, Moroccan style, on Wednesday night.

As delegates and exhibitors made their way home, there seemed to be a universal feeling that this was one of the most successful conventions ever.



Minister of Natural Resources John Efford talks to the media.

And the winner was...

Once again, there was a Great Diamond Giveaway draw at the PDAC Convention.

BHP Billiton Diamonds offered a stunning Canadian Aurias round one-carat diamond to a lucky delegate. The unique diamond is valued at \$15,000.

Winner of the draw was Robert Babensee of BDO Dunwoody, Toronto.

PDAC Special Achievement Award



Bill Roscoe



John Postle

The PDAC's board of directors elected to present two Special Achievement Awards this year, one to the firm of Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. and the other to Mary-Claire Ward.

Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. and its founding principals, John Postle and Bill Roscoe, have given stalwart service to the Canadian mineral industry in their long-term commitment to and involvement in processes leading to mineral resources and mineral reserves definitions and standards for mineral property valuation.

Mary-Claire Ward was a long-time PDAC director and chair of the association's geoscience committee. This award recognizes Mrs. Ward's passionate championing of the geosciences in Canada and her advocacy for the preservation of this country's geoscience knowledge base. Mrs. Ward died on April 18, 2004 (see p. 2 for obituary).



Mary-Claire Ward

Luncheon speaker addresses society's lack of ingenuity

Many of the mining industry's difficulties result from its position at the interface between the natural system and the social system of markets, politics and the law. Sitting on the line between these two systems, the industry is encountering complex problems that are calling for complex solutions.

But can the industry provide those solutions?

This was the challenge Thomas Homer-Dixon outlined at the convention's Mineral Outlook Luncheon.

Director of the Centre for the Study of Peace and Conflict and associate professor in the University of Toronto's Department of Political Science, Homer-Dixon is also the author of the 2001 Governor General's Award-winning book, *The Ingenuity Gap*.

Today's problems are becoming harder to solve and too often, we are unable to solve them, Homer-Dixon told his audience.

An economic paradigm governs our world, where people are rational consumers and the key concepts are consumption and production, and investment and saving.

However, he said, there is an alternate model where people become pragmatic problem solvers and the key concepts are the requirement for and supply of ingenuity.

He defined ingenuity as a set of instructions telling us how to arrange our physical and social worlds in ways we hope will solve our problems.

Technical ingenuity provides ideas for new technologies, better machines and processes.

Social ingenuity is a set of instructions, such as property rights, for arranging ourselves in groups.

Social ingenuity is the precursor to technical ingenuity, but in today's world it is lagging, and that deficit is increasing our problems.

Because social ingenuity has not kept up with technological change, problems are not being addressed and this makes problems in the mining industry harder to solve, Homer-Dixon explained. There is a high requirement for ingenuity and the supply cannot keep up.

He listed some implications for the industry.

Mining needs to recognize the complexity of problems and solutions, he said.

There should be an investment in basic science as a public good. For example, there is need for better geological maps that will provide the knowledge that is vital for infrastructure requirements.

When the industry faces problems that are unclear in definition and unclear in solution, hierarchical problem-solving approaches will not work, Homer-Dixon said. Instead, a collaborative approach will be more successful.

The industry also needs to increase its resilience, and increase its capacity to absorb shock and disruption.

Finally, he said, the industry needs to "front load" the ingenuity supply, and think now of new technologies and institutions it needs in order to sustain wellbeing far into the future.

Thayer Lindsley International Discovery Award

This new award recognizes an individual or a team of explorationists credited with a recent significant mineral discovery anywhere in the world. The first-time winners of the award, which honours the memory of one of the greatest mine finders of all time, are Ivanhoe Mines Ltd. geologists Douglas J. Kirwin, Charles N. Forster, and Garamjav Dondog for the discovery of the Hugo Dummett copper-gold discovery in Mongolia.



Top: Douglas J. Kirwin. Centre: Charles N. Forster. Bottom: Garamjav Dondog.

VOLUNTEER PROFILE

Convention planning is a balancing act

Planning a PDAC convention is a balancing act. It is important to deliver services to delegates while providing exhibitors with a forum where they can be showcased and generate business.

"That's the balancing act we try to do every year," says Joe Hamilton, chair of the convention planning committee and a newly elected director of the PDAC.

Sometimes events occur which throw that balance off kilter. This year, overwhelming demand for exhibit space necessitated expansion of the Investors Exchange. The committee restored the balance by initiating a Trade Show Innovation Forum that offered



Joe Hamilton

one-stop shopping for new technologies – an important service for people who spend their time in the field, Hamilton points out.

A mining analyst with RBC Capital Markets, Hamilton has been

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chair of the planning committee since 2002 and brings several qualifications to the job.

He has a large number of industry connections, in part because he worked for several years on contract as a field geologist across the Americas. He also holds a Chartered Financial Analyst designation, and attempts to spot trends in the mining industry. He knows what will interest convention delegates. This is particularly important, he points out, because planning starts nine months before the convention takes place.

"The idea is to be six months ahead of the industry," he explains, "and that's not always easy."

Planning of the convention takes the work of a large number of people, all of them volunteers.

Approximately 20 people are asked to take responsibility for the convention's 10 technical sessions and they become the planning committee.

At its initial meetings, the committee paints the broad strokes of the convention, such as session themes and the commodities to be highlighted. Then the session chairs take over, setting the agenda for their own sessions and finding all the speakers.

It is a difficult job, says Hamilton.

"Those people are the ones who deserve most of the credit for bringing the convention off," he says. "They do the bulk of the work and ensure we have a consistently good convention year to year."

Unlike many conferences, the PDAC convention does not reimburse speakers, except for waiving their registration costs, and they are expected to pay for their own travel and accommodation.

"I think it speaks to the quality of the convention that people are generally happy to do that because of the profile they receive," Hamilton says.

As well as running a technical trade show, the convention offers a series of technical talks that allow people to see new technology and hear about new techniques and their applications. In addition, there is always a commodity focus and a geographical session.

Hamilton believes the position of chair is time-limited.

"One of the reasons is you run out of your Rolodex," he says with a laugh. "Part of the job entails cajoling people to take on responsibilities for the sessions and eventually you run out of favours."

More seriously, he says the chair should change regularly so the convention not only builds on past successes but also looks at improvements and modifications.

Before he leaves the position, Hamilton

Bill Dennis Prospector of the Year Award

Winner of this year's Prospector of the Year Award, which recognizes the finders of a significant Canadian discovery, is the exploration team of Wolfden Resources Inc. The team, which includes Ewan S. Downie, Iain F. Downie and Ian Neill, is recognized primarily for its important mineral discovery of the West Zone massive sulphide deposit at High Lake, Nunavut.



would like to see some changes.

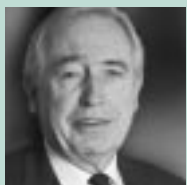
For example, he thinks the convention could do more to showcase countries and integrate the various interests working there.

Most of the time, he says, delegates working in a specific country want geological data about that country and information about companies that are doing exploration and providing services there.

However, countries have displays in the trade show, while companies that work there are in another area of the convention centre, in the Investors Exchange. The companies providing services in those countries are also separated.

"It's very difficult for one delegate to put those together – it takes some planning," Hamilton says.

"That's one area where we could improve the delivery of services to delegates and make it easy for them to see the things they need."



David Thompson

Viola R. MacMillan Developer's Award

This award, named in honour of the PDAC's longest-serving president, is given to a person who has demonstrated leadership in management and financing for the exploration and development of mineral resources. This year's recipient is David Thompson, president and CEO of Teck Cominco Limited. Mr. Thompson is recognized for his role in merging Teck Corporation and Cominco Ltd. into one of Canada's major mining companies with a global reach, and for his work in organizing the Elk Valley coal partnership.

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Africa highlighted as a place to mine

There are unique opportunities for mining in Africa, as one gold mining company has proved.

Ashanti Goldfields, based in Ghana, has six producing mines in four countries – Ghana, Equatorial Guinea, Tanzania and Zimbabwe – and measured and indicated gold resources of 44 million ounces. It also has active exploration projects in seven African countries.

Ashanti is an African success story, one that was told by CEO Sir Samuel Jonah at the joint PDAC-CIM Luncheon last month. The challenges his company had to overcome, he said, provide opportunities for others who take the leap onto the African continent.

While the image of Africa is one of unrest, disease and corruption, Sir Sam said, the reality is far different. Economic growth is picking up across the continent, peace has come to the Congo, many countries have recently witnessed a peaceful transition of political power and advances are being made against HIV/AIDS.

Sir Sam cited statistics to show that mining in Africa compares well to the record of other continents. For example, in the past eight years six new mines have been developed and opened across Africa, compared to four in Australia and two in South America.

Ashanti has led the way in having mod-

ern mining codes developed not only in Ghana, but in other countries where it has done business. Its expansion into other African countries has led to a more hospitable atmosphere for safe, profitable investment, Sir Sam said.

Few people are aware that Africa has a mature mining culture and that Ashanti Goldfields was listed 107 years ago on the London Stock Exchange. As a result, governments are familiar with the regulatory requirements of investors.

There is also a growing skilled labour force.

“Ashanti has also gone to great lengths to develop local talent,” Sir Sam added. “The emphasis has always been to empower nationals.”

The company has set up its own training schools and is now sending Ghanaians to operate schools of mining in Guinea, Zimbabwe and Tanzania. Today, Ashanti employs 10,000 people in eight African countries.

Later this year, it is expected that a proposed merger between Ashanti and AngloGold will be completed, with Sir Sam becoming president of the merged company. AngloGold Ashanti will be one of the largest gold mining companies in the world, with an expected market capitalization of \$12 billion, 12 mines in 11 countries and 55,000 employees.

“But,” Sir Sam said, “at heart it will remain an African company.”

PDAC Distinguished Service Awards



Donald A. Cranstone

This award recognizes contributions and service to the Canadian mineral industry and/or to the association. The 2004 recipients are Donald A. Cranstone and Donald Ross.

Donald A. Cranstone, recently retired from Natural Resources Canada, is recognized for his excellent and dedicated service in researching changing rates and costs of mineral deposit discovery in Canada, his analysis of the sustainability of Canada's mining industry and for establishing and maintaining an excellent relationship with the industry.

Donald Ross, who is president of Jones Gable & Company Limited, is honoured for his long-time commitment to financing companies in the junior mining sector.



Donald Ross

PDAC Environmental Awards

Wallbridge Mining Company Limited receives one of two Environmental Awards presented this year. The award honours outstanding initiative, leadership and accomplishment in the protection and preservation of the natural environment during an exploration program or mine operation. Wallbridge is recognized for its exemplary care of and commitment to preserving the natural and local environment during its exploratory drilling on Windy Lake in northern Ontario.

The second Environmental Award recognizes the work and achievements of Christine Kaszycki, Assistant Deputy Minister in Manitoba's Industry, Economic Development and Mines Ministry. As chair of the National Orphaned/Abandoned Mines Initiative (NOAMI), Ms. Kaszycki has worked tirelessly and wisely to spearhead, manage and promote this important environmental program.



Christine Kaszycki

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Teachers obtain the PDACMM units by participating in a workshop that demonstrates how to use the units in the classroom. The workshop also enhances their understanding of earth science.

This year, more than ever, the program needs to raise money because a large Ontario government grant has run out. The fund-raising target is \$75,000 and official tax receipts are issued for contributions.

The money will be used in several ways.

"We want to continue to provide teachers with quality training in the delivery of earth science," says PDACMM project co-ordinator Laura Clinton.

She currently holds training workshops across the province for teachers and would like to expand this training to students in faculties of education. She also wants to investigate development of a unit for Grade 12 related to Canadian diamonds and to promote careers in the mineral industry to youth.

In addition, PDACMM supports teachers by offering Clinton's services, a newsletter and web site, and participates in public awareness programs and professional conferences.

O B I T U A R Y

Hugh Moore

Hugh Moore, a former regional vice-president of the PDAC and a life member, has died in his 81st year.

A mine geologist for Teck Corporation for many years in the Cobalt area, he was an active volunteer for the mining industry and was past secretary-treasurer of the Haileybury School of Mines alumni.

"We shall all miss him," says Tony Andrews, executive director of the PDAC, "particularly at our convention which he attended regularly."

Hugh Moore is survived by his wife of 51 years, Connie, his children and grandchildren.

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