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## Prysmian Partners with Dow to Advance the Production of Sirocco® Microduct Cables

World leader in energy transition and digital transformation, **Prysmian**, Highland Heights, KY, USA, and **Dow**, have recently partnered to advance the production of Prysmian's Sirocco® microduct cables using Dow's AXELERON™ Telecom Cable Compound. In 2024, Dow's AXELERON Cable Compound and Prysmian's Sirocco Microduct Cable were recognized as a winning co-development technology in the 2024 R&D Magazine 100 Awards in the Mechanical/Materials category. Established in 1963, the R&D 100 Awards program identifies and celebrates the top 100 revolutionary technologies of the year and is a considered a prestigious award in the research and development communities.



Yixuan Song of Dow (left) and Brian Risch of Prysmian (right).

"Through our partnership with Dow, we're able to evolve and improve on our product lines continuously, helping our customers achieve solutions that are not only environmentally conscious but better for their bottom line," said **Patrick Jacobi**, VP for Telecom at Prysmian North America. "Dow and Prysmian's partnership is mutually beneficial and allows us to utilize our shared expertise to ramp up Sirocco production here in North America. We're excited to expand on this partnership and enable new fiber technology to be more broadly distributed across our region." [www.prysmian.com](http://www.prysmian.com)

## NEMA Study Highlights Need to Prioritize Grid Reliability to Meet Surging Electricity Demand

Electricity demand in the USA will increase 2% annually and 50% by 2050, according to a new study by **PA Consulting** and released by the **National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)**. Driven by record growth in

data centers and e-mobility, the study highlights innovative technology and policy solutions to maintain a reliable and affordable energy system through this new age of demand growth. The study says growth in electricity demand in the USA will be driven by a 300% rise in energy consumption by data centers and a 9000% increase in energy consumption required for e-mobility and charging, with overall electricity projected to grow from 21% of final energy use to 32% by 2050. The study also identifies near-term and emerging technology solutions to make the grid more efficient to meet this demand growth. [www.makeitelectric.org](http://www.makeitelectric.org)



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### Tri Star Metals

#### Acquires Siri Wire

**Tri Star Metals, LLC**, Freeport, IL, USA, a stainless and nickel alloy mill and distributor, will acquire **Siri Wire**, Danielson, CT, USA, a regional stainless and nickel alloy re-draw mill with strong distribution capabilities. Siri Wire



will continue to operate as an independent mill and distributor, led by **Bryan Hitchcock** and **David Hitchcock**. Key benefits of the acquisition include expanded capabilities, broader product range, investment in growth and commitment to tradition.

[www.tristarmetals.com](http://www.tristarmetals.com)

### Custom Wire Products (CWP)

#### Acquires Little Falls Alloys

**Custom Wire Products (CWP)**, founded by **Jeff Lawrence** in 2021, has acquired **Little Falls Alloys**, a high-performance wire



maker. The deal enhances CWP's production capacity, broadens its collective product offerings and reinforces its commitment to its customers. As part of the acquisition, the 30,000 ft<sup>2</sup> facility in Paterson becomes CWP's primary manufacturing headquarters. Little Falls Alloys will continue to run under its established name.

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## Copperweld Sees 110 Years of Bimetallic Innovation

**Craig York** of **Copperweld** reports, "This year, we mark 110 years, a milestone that reflects over a century of delivering engineered wire solutions for electrical infrastructure. Founded in 1915 in Rankin, PA, USA, we've focused on creating conductors meeting real-world demands in the industries we serve. From our home base in midsouth USA, we make bimetallic conductors designed for a balance of performance, strength and material efficiency. Through our history, innovation has been more than a goal. From the days of telegraph lines to today's ever-evolving power and data systems, our forward approach and products have helped shape the back-

bone of critical infrastructure. And our purpose stays the same: build smarter wire and cable products that meet the moment and stand the test of time."

Copperweld began with the development of Copper-Clad Steel (CCS), a material combining the strength of steel with conductivity of copper—a durable, efficient solution for grounding and other high-demand applications. In 1918, the first copper-clad ground rod was introduced and is still the standard. The firm evolved to meet the needs of utility, telecom and construction professionals. Products like ArcAngel™, Stingray™ and Sunray™ solved real challenges in the field. [www.copperweld.com](http://www.copperweld.com)



## UL warns industry of potentially hazardous communications cables

UL Solutions has issued public notices on communications cables that may pose a potential fire hazard. The cables don't meet riser flame test requirements of *UL 1666*, Standard Test for Flame Propagation Height of Electrical & Optical-Fiber Cables Installed Vertically in Shafts.

Read the full public notices at:

[www.ul.com/news/ul-solutions-warns-potentially-hazardous-communications-cables-0](http://www.ul.com/news/ul-solutions-warns-potentially-hazardous-communications-cables-0)



## Nortech set to serve global markets amid tariff challenges

**Nortech Systems**, Minneapolis, MN, USA, says it is strategically positioned to serve customers in Europe and the Asia Pacific region while mitigating the impact of global tariffs and trade challenges. While tariffs continue to fluctuate, much of Nortech's production work in China is built in-country, for-country, employing a near-shoring approach to better serve global customers with reduced shipping costs and time.

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The *REWIREcable Conference 2025* announces a new media partnership with *Wire & Cable Technology International (WCTI)*, one of the wire and cable industry's most respected voices. This collaboration joins two platforms dedicated to empowering professionals with the insights, innovations and connections that matter most. The long-standing reputation of *WCTI* as a go-to resource for the global wire and cable community, delivers bimonthly publications full of technical features, industry updates and deep dives into emerging trends. As the official media partner of *REWIREcable 2025*, *WCTI* will shine a spotlight on the conference, bringing readers a front-row view of what's shaping the future of this industry. Along with exclusive event coverage, *WCTI* readers will enjoy a special 15% discount code (WCTI@REWIREcable15) to attend *REWIREcable 2025*. That's on top

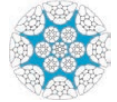


of the current advance rate prices, already discounted until May 12, 2025. So, if you've been thinking of joining us in Amsterdam, now is the time to lock in your ticket. "We're thrilled to have *WCTI* on board," said **Albert Groot-hedde**, CEO of **InnoVites**. "Their editorial integrity and global readership make them an ideal partner for *REWIREcable*. This partnership isn't just about visibility; it's about bringing meaningful content and value to professionals across the wire and cable landscape." Taking place June 3 to 4, 2025, at the **Corendon Amsterdam Schiphol Airport Tribute Portfolio Hotel**, Netherlands, *REWIREcable* will explore how AI, IIoT, ERP, MES and other smart technologies are redefining how wire and cable businesses operate and accelerate digital transformation efforts. Expert panels, demos and studies will be included. [www.rewirecable.com](http://www.rewirecable.com)

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### WireCo Launches Steel Wire Rope

**WireCo® CASAR**, Prairie Village, KS, USA, a leading innovative brand in specialized steel ropes, announces the launch of **Boomfit**, a cutting-edge steel rope designed for use as an adjustment rope in telescopic cranes, crawler cranes and large tower cranes. Boomfit sets a new standard in the industry with optimum compressive strength for multi-layer spooling, ideal spooling behavior and exceptional durability.



[www.wireco.com](http://www.wireco.com)

### Europe Wire & Cable Market Growing at 5.2%

The "Europe Wire and Cable Market Opportunity, Growth Drivers, Industry Trend Analysis, and Forecast 2025-2034" from **ResearchAndMarkets.com** says the Europe wire/cable market value was US\$36.3 billion in 2024, and will reach US\$61.6 billion by 2034, at a CAGR of 5.2%. The need for efficient transmission/distribution networks fuels demand for advanced solutions. More investment in energy infrastructure is a major driver as countries modernize electricity grids. Smart grid development, renewable energy projects and next-gen power systems contribute to market growth.

[www.ResearchAndMarkets.com](http://www.ResearchAndMarkets.com)

### Philatron meets USA-made cable demand amid Tariffs

Philatron reports that as tariffs on Chinese imports drive a historic pivot in the wire and cable industry, companies have rapidly expanded production capacity in order to meet the surge in demand for high-performance, USA-made electrical wire and cable. With strategic investments in new extrusion lines and advanced cabling lines, Philatron is now positioned to support distributors and contractors looking for fast, reliable and domestically produced wire and cable solutions.

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### Omni Cable Consolidates Atlanta Operations into Expanded Distribution Site

**Omni Cable LLC**, West Chester, PA, USA, an industry-leading redistributor selling wire, cable, fiber and other products exclusively to distributors, has consolidated its two Atlanta, GA, USA-based facilities in Suwanee and Norcross into one larger, state-of-the-art facility located in Buford, GA, USA. The new facility opened earlier this month and includes over 285,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of space that strengthens the company's ability to meet the evolving needs of its customers.

[www.omnicable.com](http://www.omnicable.com)

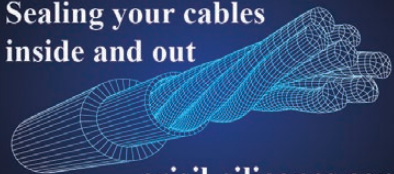
### Steel Wire Business Report: Impact of Tariffs

The "Steel Wire-Global Strategic Business Report 2025" offered by **ResearchAndMarkets.com**, says the global market for steel wire was valued at US\$123.5 billion in 2024 and should reach US\$186.0 billion by 2030, at a CAGR of 7.1% from 2024 to 2030. The report offers in-depth analysis of market trends, drivers and forecasts, helping you make informed business decisions. The report also includes the most recent global tariff developments, and how they impact the steel wire market.

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### NKT Signs €1 Billion Supply Agreement with Hydro

NKT has signed a landmark supply agreement with Hydro to secure a long-term supply of low-carbon aluminum wire rod through to 2033, with an estimated value of some €1 billion, depending on the quantity, duration options and future metal prices. This agreement plays a crucial role in NKT's ongoing decarbonization efforts, enabling the company to deliver power cable solutions with a significantly lower carbon footprint to its customers. "This long-term supply agreement with Hydro not only guarantees a long-term,



European supply of low-carbon aluminum, it also reinforces our position as a sustainability leader in the power cable industry. It supports our strategy to continuously improve the carbon intensity of our power cables thereby supporting both our own short and long-term targets and our customers' decarbonization ambitions. Given the current geopolitical landscape, securing reliable local supply chains is increasingly important," said **Claes Westerlind**, NKT CEO/President.

[www.nkt.com](http://www.nkt.com)

### Southwire: One of America's Best Workplaces for women

Southwire announces its recognition as one of America's Greatest Workplaces for Women 2025 by *Newsweek* and Plant-A Insights Group. This annual list celebrates champions of inclusion through a rigorous evaluation based on an assessment of publicly accessible data, discussions and interviews with HR professionals and large-scale confidential on-line surveys. Recent Southwire commitments include broadening health benefits to provide extended bonding time for families. Eligible mothers now receive 12 work weeks for parental bonding and recovery time after giving birth, while eligible fathers



can take up to four work weeks of paid paternity leave.

[www.southwire.com](http://www.southwire.com)

### USITC investigates certain active cables/related parts

The U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) will investigate certain active electrical cables and components thereof. The investigation is based on a complaint filed by Credo Semiconductor and Credo Technology, and alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 in the import into the USA



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and sale of active electrical cables and components infringing patents asserted by the complainants. The complainants request a limited exclusion order and cease/desist orders. USITC has identified these respondents: Amphenol, Molex and TE Connectivity. USITC has not yet decided on the merits of the case, and its Chief Administrative Law Judge will assign the case to administrative law judges (ALJ), to hold an evidentiary hearing. ALJ will make a determination, subject to USITC review.

[www.usitc.gov](http://www.usitc.gov)

## Cerrowire sales partnership with General Power & Control

Cerrowire and General Power & Control Corp. (GPC) announce a new sales partnership covering Louisiana and Central Mississippi in the USA. GPC, Geismar, LA, USA, adds the full menu of Made in the USA Cerrowire products to its lineup. Every Cerrowire product is Buy America, Build America certified.

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## LS Cable & System USA partners with Isberg & Associates in expansion to west coast

LS Cable & System USA, Peachtree,

GA, USA, has entered partnership with sales representative Isberg & Associates, expanding distribution of its Medium Voltage Underground Distribution (MV UD) products to the western USA. The company says established relationships in the industry will be instrumental in expanding our reach and delivering value to our customers. The collaboration enhances product availability and technical support across California and western USA, aligning both firms' strengths in delivering high-quality electrical solutions.

[www.lscsusa.com](http://www.lscsusa.com)

## New Nortech brand identity

Nortech Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA, unveils its reimagined brand identity that reflects its commitment to innovation, customer-centricity and excellence in contract manufacturing. A leading provider of engineering and manufacturing solutions for complex electromedical and electromechanical products serving the medical, industrial and defense markets, Nortech is proud to unveil its newly refreshed brand, "Connections Reimagined." This revitalized identity reflects a modern, innovative approach to tackling

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### Greenlink Interconnector Project Complete

**Sumitomo Electric Industries Ltd.** and consortium partner **Siemens Energy**, completed trial operations and handover of the Greenlink Interconnector Project to **Greenlink Interconnector Limited**, into operational and commercial use. The Greenlink Interconnector Project is a submarine/underground electricity interconnector cable with converter stations linking existing electrical Ireland and UK grids, with nominal capacity of 500 MW.

[www.sumitomoelectric.com](http://www.sumitomoelectric.com)

### AWG Appoints Neal Hamer

**American Wire Group (AWG)** has appointed **Neal Hamer** as Director of Engineering-Power Equipment. Hamer is responsible for driving technical strategy and expanding in-house engineering capabilities to support the growing power equipment segment. This includes conducting a thorough assessment of AWG's current technical landscape across transformers, switchgear and substation solutions, while aligning supplier specifications with **IEEE**, **ANSI**, **NERC** and **UL** standards.

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### LUTZE Introduces New Cable Knife

**LUTZE** introduces the LUTZE Cable Knife designed for fast, safe and precise cable stripping. This ergonomic tool is compatible with round cables and features a nonslip grip. Adjustable-depth blade and interchangeable steel brackets allow for a broad cable stripping capacity of 0.32" to 1.37". Additional benefits of the cable knife include adjustable hook blade with automatic blade protection for longitudinal cuts, designed for safety and ease of use.



[www.lutze.com](http://www.lutze.com)

### Nexans Wins Contract from Interconnect Malta

**Nexans**, Paris, France, a global leader services, specializing in the offshore wind market and subsea interconnectors, has been awarded a significant contract by **Interconnect Malta (ICM)** to deliver the second Malta-Sicily interconnector. The cables for this project will be produced at Nexans' facility in Charleston, SC, USA. It also reinforces Nexans' long-standing commitment to supporting Malta's energy independence and economic development.

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### Southwire Cuts the Ribbon at New North Carolina Facility

**Southwire** recently cut the ribbon at its new facility in Youngsville, NC, USA. Members of the Southwire and Youngsville communities attended.

"We are thrilled to open this new facility, and it was an honor to celebrate with the Youngsville team as we cut the ribbon," said **Rich Stinson**,



President/CEO. "As North America continues to electrify, the work being done in Youngsville directly connects to our providing world-class solutions and service to our markets and customers. The plant reflects our dedication to innovation, modernization and our people." [www.southwire.com](http://www.southwire.com)

### New Ribbon Solution from Huber+Suhner

**HUBER+SUHNER's** new ribbon technology offers 60% faster splicing for data centers to streamline/optimize data center infrastructure.

"The increasing need for high data transmission rates and improved efficiency in data centers has driven us to develop an advanced

solution that enhances connectivity and simplifies operations," said **Vanessa Alias** (VP Product Management).

"With our new solution, customers benefit from reduced installation time, better cable management and future-proof network architecture." [www.hubersuhner.com](http://www.hubersuhner.com)



complex challenges across critical industries. The rebrand includes a new logo, mission statement and vision statement as well as a tagline that reflects the company's customer-oriented focus.

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### Gore supplies Airbus advanced cable for Thuraya 4 telecommunications satellite

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## Leviton Completes Expansion of North Carolina Fiber Optic Manufacturing Plant

Leviton just completed a US\$25 million expansion of its Fuquay-Varina, NC, USA, fiber optic manufacturing plant—doubling its size to keep up with soaring demand for high-speed connectivity driven by AI, AR and cloud tech. The investment also comes amid a nationwide surge in data center construction, further fueling the need for advanced fiber infrastructure. This expansion is set to strengthen



Leviton's USA manufacturing base while positioning the company to better serve global customers with high-performance fiber solutions. On April 9, 2025, Leviton marked the occasion with a ribbon-cutting ceremony alongside local officials and employees. The factory size has been doubled and produces multi-mode and single-mode cabling for data centers, enterprises and industrial networks. [www.leviton.com/ns](http://www.leviton.com/ns)

## Sales & Net Income Table

Company	Sales	%Δ	Net Income (Net Loss)	%Δ
Amphenol Corporation	4811	47.7	738	34.5
Carlisle Companies Incorporated	1096	-0.1	140	-18.0
TE Connectivity plc	4143	4.4	13	-97.6

Latest quarterly Sales/Net Income data in US\$ millions; % change is relative to 2024 quarterly results.

sat Space Services at Space42, the UAE-based, AI-powered SpaceTech company. The Thuraya 4 was successfully launched into orbit at the Cape Canaveral Space Force Station in January. [www.gore.com](http://www.gore.com)

## Nikki Van Gemert to Regional Sales Manager at TiniFiber

TiniFiber®, Lindenhurst, NY, USA, a developer of high-reliability, high-performance digital infrastructure,



and the exclusive manufacturer of the patented Micro Armor Fiber® optical cabling solutions, has named Nikki Van Gemert as Regional Sales Manager for the Northeast. With over 29 years of experience in B2B sales and strategic account development, she brings a proven track record of exceeding revenue targets and driving growth across highly competitive markets. She joins TiniFiber from TTI, Inc., and has also held impactful roles at Velcro, Allied Wire & Cable and Anixter. [www.tinifiber.com](http://www.tinifiber.com)

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### New HELUKABEL Subsidiary Established in Australia

The **HELUKABEL Group** grows internationally with the launch of **HELUKABEL Australia**. This follows acquisition of the cable and electrical business unit of long-standing partner, **DKSH Australia**. With a staff of 35, HELUKABEL Australia now serves



customers across Australia, New Zealand and neighboring markets from logistics hubs in Melbourne, Sydney and Perth. [www.helukabel.com](http://www.helukabel.com)

### NEMA Make It American™ Certification Program

The **National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA)** launched a new Make It American™ certification program to help the market identify products and manufacturers that have implemented best-in-class processes to meet Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) domestic content requirements. This certification lets firms demonstrate that their processes and supply chain management systems have undergone rigorous, third-party expert audits for greater certainty and confidence to those looking to source materials with enhanced levels of USA-manufactured content. [www.makeitelectric.org](http://www.makeitelectric.org)



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# EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

## Registration Open for June 2 WCMA Golf Outing/Fundraiser

Registration is now open for the annual **Wire & Cable Manufacturers Alliance (WCMA)** Golf Outing and Fundraiser on June 2, 2025, at the **Wethersfield Country Club**. The schedule for the day is as follows:

- 9 AM – Registration
- 10:30 AM – Tee Time, Full Scramble
- 4:00 PM – Cocktails/Silent Auction
- 5 PM. – Dinner/Member Meeting
- 6:30 PM – Awards, Charity & Auction Announcements

Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis, up to 144 spots. If you are a nonmember and wish to hold a group or spot, contact WCMA to be placed on the waiting list.

Member pricing is US\$220/player or US\$880/foursome. There is a limit of two foursomes per company. Nonmember pricing is US\$250/player or US\$1000/foursome.

[www.wcmainc.org](http://www.wcmainc.org)

## Jicable HVDC'25 Visits

There will be two exclusive tours during *Jicable HVDC'25* on October 22, 2025 from 2 to 6 PM.

- Technical visit: **Piedmont-Savoie HVDC interconnection** - This visit



will give participants the opportunity to discover not only the converter station itself, but also the unique design of this interconnection.

- Touristic visit: Lingotto - From **Fiat** to architectural transformation - For many years, the Lingotto building was the production center of the FIAT company, famously featuring a rooftop test track for cars. Reserve now, places are limited! Register at: [www.hvdc25.jicable.org](http://www.hvdc25.jicable.org)

## ISW Celebrates 90 Years of "Customers First"

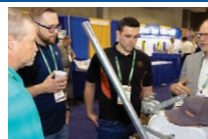
**Industrial Steel and Wire (ISW)** celebrates its 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2025. What began in 1935 as a small venture out of the **Furlong** family garage during the Great Depression has grown into a trusted leader in the steel and wire industry. Over nine decades, ISW has remained proudly owned and operated by three generations of the Furlong family, with a steadfast commitment to delivering high-quality products and exceptional customer service. Over the years, ISW has weathered countless economic, political, and social changes, yet its focus on its customers has remained constant.



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## EVENTS

### May 13 – 15, 2025

Interwire 2025, Atlanta, GA, USA  
[www.interwire25.com](http://www.interwire25.com)

### June 2, 2025

WCMA Annual Golf Outing & Fundraiser  
Hartford, CT, USA  
[www.wcmainc.org](http://www.wcmainc.org)

### June 3 – 4, 2025

REWIREcable Conference 2025  
Amsterdam, Netherlands  
[www.rewirecable.com](http://www.rewirecable.com)

### June 24 – 26, 2025

CRU Wire & Cable Connection Summit  
2025, Prague, Czech Republic  
[www.crugroup.com](http://www.crugroup.com)

### August 27 – 29, 2025

WireShow, Shanghai, China  
[www.wireshow.com](http://www.wireshow.com)

### September 6 – 8, 2025

wire Middle East Africa 2025  
Cairo, Egypt  
[www.wire-mea.com](http://www.wire-mea.com)

### September 17 – 19, 2025

wire Southeast Asia 2025  
Bangkok, Thailand  
[www.wire-southeastasia.com](http://www.wire-southeastasia.com)

### October 20 – 21, 2025

AWH Detroit 2025, Detroit, MI, USA  
[www.eds-conference.com](http://www.eds-conference.com)

### October 20 – 22, 2025

Jicable HVDC'25, Turin, Italy  
[www.hvdc25.jicable.org](http://www.hvdc25.jicable.org)

### October 27 – 30, 2025

IWCS 2025, Pittsburgh, PA, USA  
[www.iwcs.org](http://www.iwcs.org)

### November 4 – 6, 2025

Cable & Wire Fair 2025, New Delhi, India, [www.cablewirefair.com](http://www.cablewirefair.com)

### April 13-17, 2026

wire 2026, Dusseldorf, Germany  
[www.wire-tradefair.com](http://www.wire-tradefair.com)

### September 21-24, 2026

wire China, Shanghai, China  
[www.wirechina.net](http://www.wirechina.net)

### November 30 – December 2, 2026

wire India, Mumbai, India  
[www.wire-india.com](http://www.wire-india.com)

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