

# Development Services

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### APPEAL SUMMARY

**Status:** Decision Rendered

<b>Appeal ID:</b> 14735	<b>Project Address:</b> 2007 SE Powell Blvd
<b>Hearing Date:</b> 3/8/17	<b>Appellant Name:</b> Erik Matthews
<b>Case No.:</b> B-010	<b>Appellant Phone:</b> 5035447210
<b>Appeal Type:</b> Building	<b>Plans Examiner/Inspector:</b> Kathy Aulwes
<b>Project Type:</b> commercial	<b>Stories:</b> 2 <b>Occupancy:</b> S-2 <b>Construction Type:</b> V-B
<b>Building/Business Name:</b>	<b>Fire Sprinklers:</b> Yes - throughout
<b>Appeal Involves:</b> Alteration of an existing structure	<b>LUR or Permit Application No.:</b> 16-142293-CO
<b>Plan Submitted Option:</b> pdf [File 1]	<b>Proposed use:</b> storage

### APPEAL INFORMATION SHEET

#### Appeal item 1

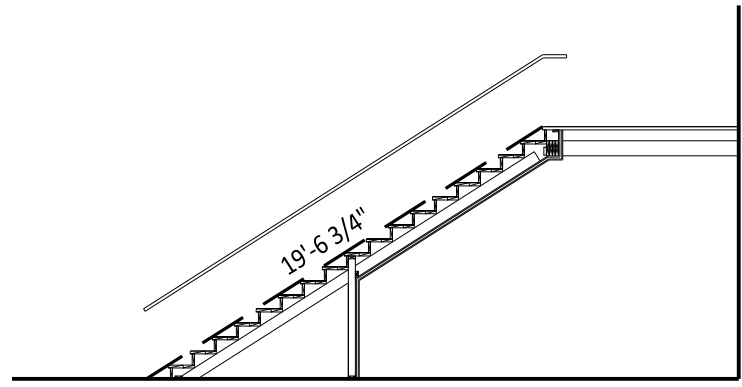
<b>Code Section</b>	1014.3 Common path of egress travel.
<b>Requires</b>	The common path of egress travel distance in a sprinklered building with S-2 occupancies shall not exceed 100'.
<b>Proposed Design</b>	This appeal is for (1) two-story tenant space in an existing V-B fully sprinklered building. The entire tenant space is S-2 occupancy, and the total calculated occupant load is 5 occupants. The tenant has access to (1) means of egress, through a vestibule. There is also an overhead door with an incorporated swing-door, but the swing door is not allowed to be considered as a means of egress because it has a 2" threshold. The common path of egress distance to the allowable means of egress (the door through the vestibule) is 108'-2" just 8'-2" over the code allowable 100'. The space that exceeds the common path of egress distance is the far corner of the second level, where the occupant load is only 2 persons. The last 6' of the travel distance is through the fully enclosed vestibule.
<b>Reason for alternative</b>	The design is providing an extra level of protection by installing full sprinklers to a previously unsprinklered building. The common path of egress travel distance is only exceeded by 8'-2" in a seldom used storage level with extremely low occupant load. For these reasons, we feel that the design does not pose any greater hazard, and therefore request the alternative be granted.

### APPEAL DECISION

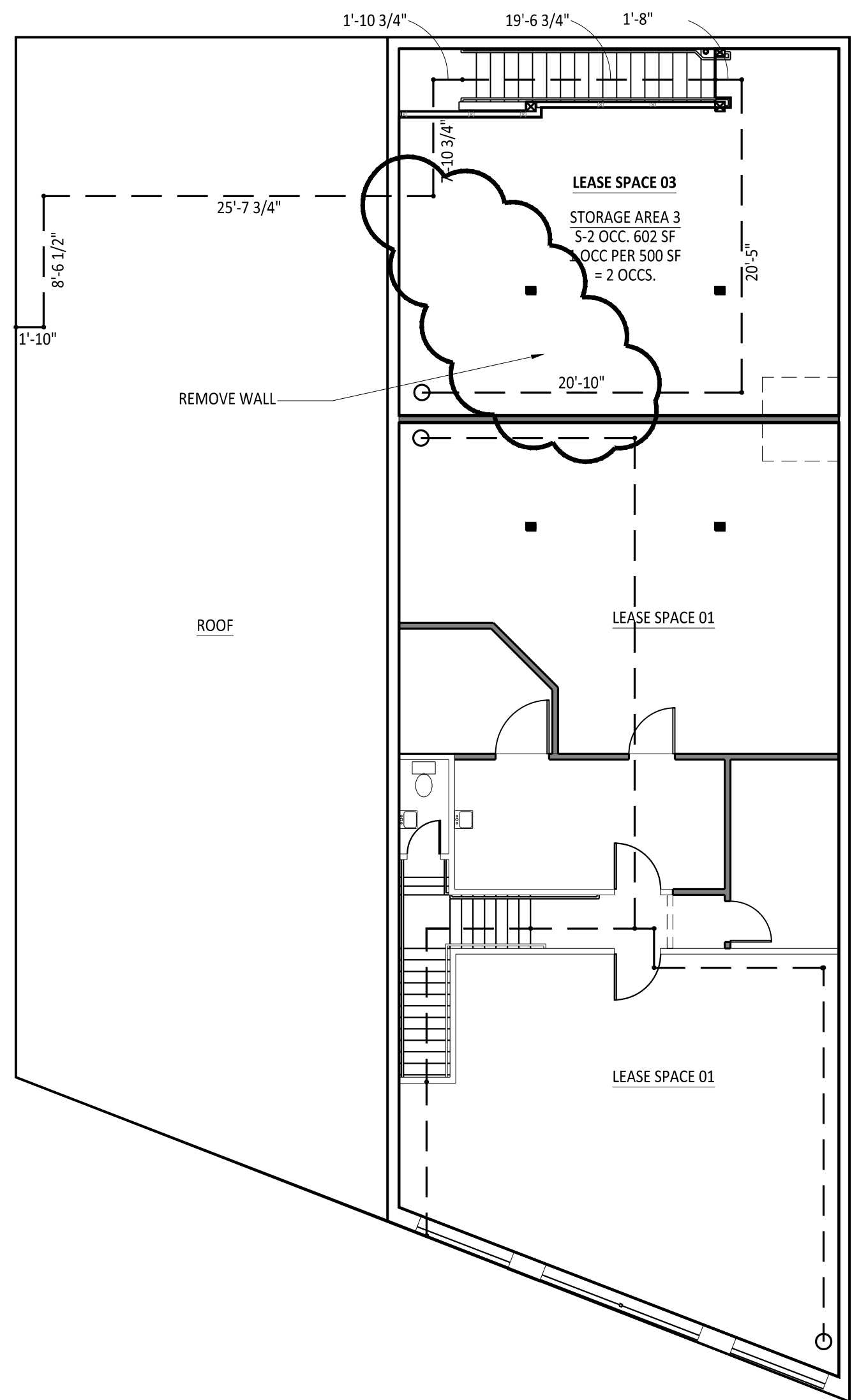
**Increase in allowable travel distance from 2nd floor storage area: Granted provided this portion of the second floor is accessed by staff only, and the materials stored qualify as an S-2 occupancy (storage of non-combustible products).**

The Administrative Appeal Board finds with the conditions noted, that the information submitted by the appellant demonstrates that the approved modifications or alternate methods are consistent with the intent of the code; do not lessen health, safety, accessibility, life, fire safety or structural requirements; and that special conditions unique to this project make strict application of those code sections impractical.

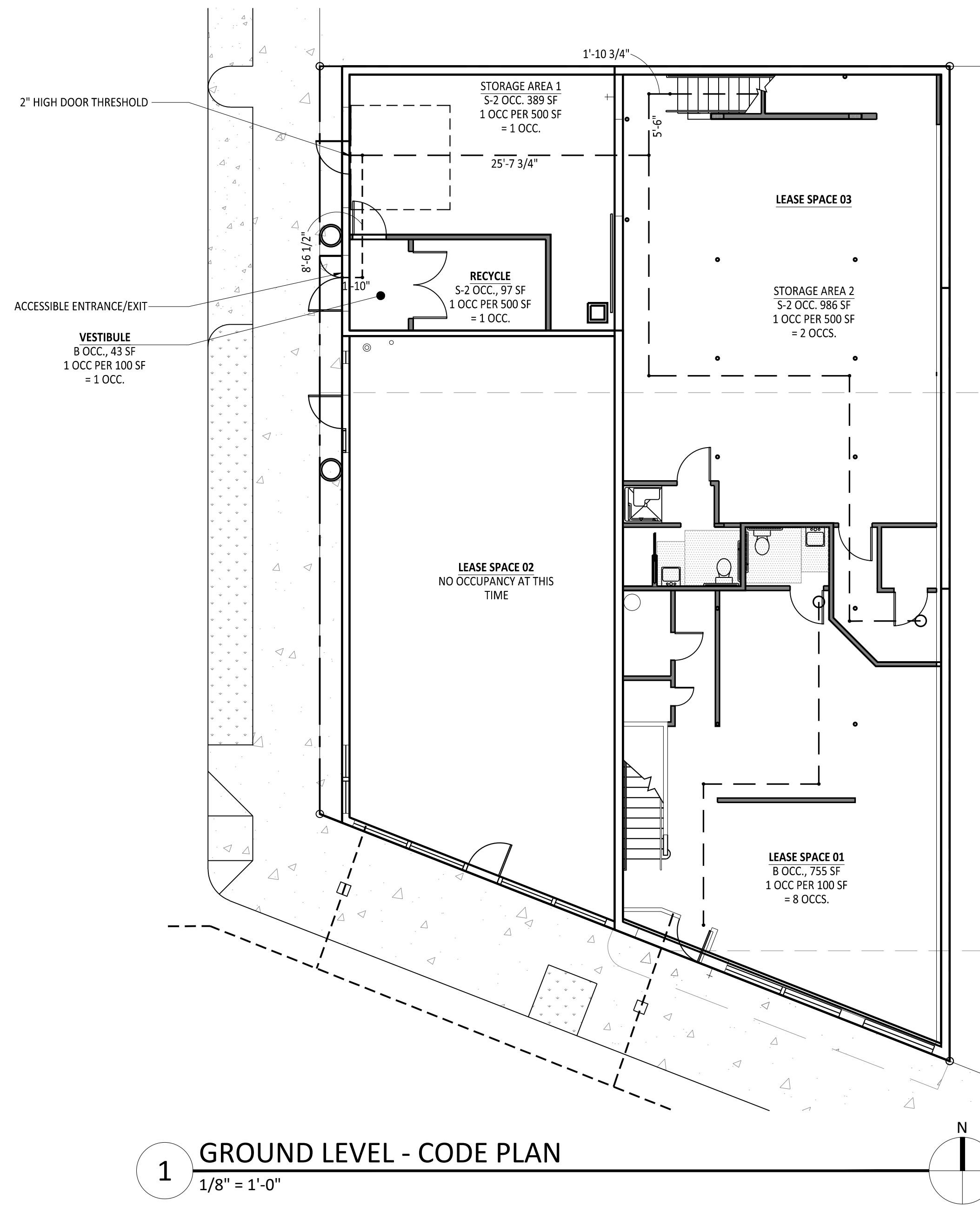
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3 STAIR SECTION  
1/8" = 1'-0"



2 LEVEL 2 - CODE PLAN  
1/8" = 1'-0"



1 GROUND LEVEL - CODE PLAN  
1/8" = 1'-0"

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