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Message Body:
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Thank You
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1 Solano County Index of Economic and Community Progress (2010), http://www.coeccon.com/Reports/STEWARDSHIP/SolanoIndex2010.pdf