REAL ESTATE CONTRACT (A&M SYSTEM - SELLER)

This Real Estate Contract (this "Contract") is made and entered into by and between the **BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**, an agency of the State of Texas ("A&M SYSTEM"), as seller, and ______, a Texas ______ and/or assigns ("PURCHASER" or "GRANTEE"), as purchaser.

ARTICLE 1 SALE AND PURCHASE

1.01 <u>Property</u>. A&M SYSTEM agrees to sell and convey, and PURCHASER agrees to purchase and pay for, fee simple title in and to the following real property:

The surface only of 0.3685 acres of land, more or less, out of the Nancy Smith Abstract in the City of Center, Shelby County, Texas, being further depicted in **Exhibit "A"**, attached to this Contract and incorporated for all purposes, together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances pertaining thereto, including the right, title and interest of A&M SYSTEM, if any, in all streets, roads, and rightsof-way, and any easements, licenses, rights-of-way, reservations, privileges and rights of ingress and egress appurtenant thereto, SAVE AND EXCEPT all mineral rights, which are expressly excluded from the conveyance (the "Property").

- **1.02** <u>Reservation from Conveyance</u>. The A&M SYSTEM reserves unto itself, its successors and assigns, all oil, gas and other minerals, in and under and that may be produced from the Property, as well as all water rights. If the mineral estate is subject to existing production, this reservation includes the production, the lease, and all benefits from it.
- **1.03** <u>Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions</u>. The conveyance of the Property shall be subject to all other restrictions, reservations, covenants, easements, rights-of-way, and encumbrances apparent on the ground or of record in the county in which the Property is located.

<u>ARTICLE 2</u> CONDITION PRECEDENT

THIS CONTRACT IS SUBJECT TO AND CONDITIONED UPON THE EXPRESS APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. SHOULD THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM FAIL TO APPROVE THE SALE OF THE PROPERTY, THIS CONTRACT WILL BE NULL AND VOID, NEITHER A&M SYSTEM NOR PURCHASER WILL INCUR ANY OBLIGATION OR PENALTY, AND THE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (AS DESCRIBED BELOW), IF ANY, SHALL BE RETURNED TO PURCHASER.

<u>ARTICLE 3</u> <u>PURCHASE PRICE</u>

- **3.01** <u>Total Purchase Price</u>. In consideration of the sale of the Property and subject to the terms and conditions of this Contract, **PURCHASER** agrees to pay **A&M SYSTEM** a purchase price for the Property of \$______ (the "Purchase Price").
- **3.02** Earnest Money Deposit. Within three days following the date this Contract is signed by **PURCHASER**, **PURCHASER** shall deliver to Chicago Title Company, 1501 S. Mopac, Suite 130, Austin, Texas 78746, Attention: Jennifer Pederson ("Title Company") the sum of \$_______ as **PURCHASER**'s earnest money deposit (the "Earnest Money Deposit"), which shall thereafter be held by the Title Company in an interest-bearing account in a federally insured financial institution and in accordance with this Contract. If the purchase and sale of the Property is consummated in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof, the Earnest Money Deposit, plus interest, shall be applied to the purchase price at Closing; otherwise, it shall be applied as further described in this Contract. This Contact shall be null and void if the Earnest Money Deposit is not delivered to the Title Company as required by this Section.

ARTICLE 4 PROPERTY CONDITION

- No Representations by A&M SYSTEM. PURCHASER agrees that the Property is to 4.01 be sold to and accepted by PURCHASER "AS IS", "WHERE IS", "WITH ALL FAULTS" and "WITHOUT REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES WHATSOEVER, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WRITTEN OR ORAL (EXCEPT FOR THE WARRANTY OF TITLE EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN THE SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED)." PURCHASER acknowledges that PURCHASER has had the opportunity to independently inspect the Property or cause the Property to be inspected on PURCHASER's behalf and that PURCHASER has not entered into this Contract based upon any representation, warranty, agreement, statement, or expression of opinion by A&M SYSTEM or by any person or entity acting or allegedly acting for or on behalf of **A&M SYSTEM** as to the Property or the condition of the Property.
- 4.02 Language in Special Warranty Deed. **PURCHASER** agrees that the Special Warranty Deed from A&M SYSTEM will contain the following provisions: The Property is sold "AS **"WHERE** IS", "WITH FAULTS" and "WITHOUT IS", ALL REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES WHATSOEVER, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WRITTEN OR ORAL (EXCEPT FOR THE WARRANTY OF TITLE EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN THIS SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED)." Without limitation of the foregoing, **GRANTEE**, by acceptance of this deed, acknowledges that (except for the warranty of title expressly set forth herein) A&M SYSTEM has not made, does not make and specifically negates and disclaims any representations, warranties, promises, covenants, agreements or guaranties of any kind or character whatsoever, whether express or implied, oral or written, past, present or future, of, as to, concerning or with

respect to (a) the value, nature, quality or condition of the Property, including, without limitation, the acreage, water, soil or geology, (b) the income to be derived from the Property, (c) the suitability of the Property for any and all activities and uses which **GRANTEE** may conduct thereon, (d) the compliance of or by the Property or its operation with any laws, rules, ordinances or regulations of any applicable governmental authority or body, including without limitation any environmental protection, pollution or land use laws, rules, regulations, orders or requirements, (e) the disposal or existence, in or on the Property, of any hydrocarbons, asbestos, PCB emissions, or hazardous or toxic materials, (f) the habitability, merchantability, marketability, profitability or fitness for a particular purpose of the Property, or (i) any other matter with respect to the Property. **A&M SYSTEM** shall not be liable or bound in any manner by any verbal or written statements, representations, or information pertaining to the Property, or other person.

<u>ARTICLE 5</u> <u>TITLE COMMITMENT AND SURVEY</u>

- **5.01** <u>Title Commitment</u>. Within 20 days following the Effective Date of this Contract, **PURCHASER** shall obtain a current standard Texas form of Commitment for Owner's Policy of Title Insurance (the "Title Commitment"), issued through the Title Company, describing the Property, listing **PURCHASER** as the prospective named insured, and accompanied by legible copies of all instruments listed in Schedule B of the Title Commitment affecting the Property.
- **5.02** Survey. Within 45 calendar days following the Effective Date of this Contract, **PURCHASER** may have a new survey of the Property prepared by a Registered Professional Land Surveyor in accordance with customary survey standards, or may, at its option, have an update of the existing survey (if any) of the Property prepared (in either case, the "Survey"). Within 10 calendar days of receipt, **PURCHASER** will deliver to **A&M SYSTEM** a copy of the Survey, and any updates.
- 5.03 <u>Review of Title Commitment and Survey</u>. PURCHASER shall have a period of 15 days (the "Title Review Period") after receipt by PURCHASER of the Title Commitment in accordance with <u>Section 5.01</u> above, and the Survey in accordance with <u>Section 5.02</u> above, in which to review the Title Commitment, the Survey, and legible copies of the title instruments referenced therein, and to give written notice to A&M SYSTEM specifying PURCHASER's objections (the "Objections"), if any, to them (other than the standard printed exceptions in Schedule B to the Title Commitment). If PURCHASER fails to give written notice of Objections to A&M SYSTEM prior to the expiration of the Title Review Period, then all exceptions to title shown on Schedule B of the Title Commitment shall be deemed to be "Permitted Exceptions." However, all Schedule C items must be resolved prior to and as a condition of closing.
- 5.04 <u>A&M SYSTEM's Obligation to Cure; PURCHASER's Right to Terminate</u>. If PURCHASER shall have timely notified A&M SYSTEM in writing of Objections to the Title Commitment or the Survey, then A&M SYSTEM may, but shall not be

obligated to, cure the Objections to the reasonable satisfaction of **PURCHASER** within 15 days following **A&M SYSTEM's** receipt of **PURCHASER**'s written Objections (the "Cure Period"). If the Objections are not cured to **PURCHASER**'s reasonable satisfaction within the Cure Period, then **PURCHASER** shall have five days from the end of the Cure Period within which to give **A&M SYSTEM** written notice of **PURCHASER**'s election to terminate this Contract, in which event neither party shall have any further duties or obligations under this Contract, which shall automatically terminate, and the Earnest Money Deposit shall be returned to **PURCHASER**. If **PURCHASER** does not terminate this Contract within the 5-day period, **PURCHASER** shall be deemed to waive the unsatisfied Objections, in which event those unsatisfied Objections shall become Permitted Exceptions.

ARTICLE 6 CLOSING

- 6.01 <u>Date</u>. Closing of the sale and purchase (the "Closing") shall be at the offices of the Title Company within 30 days after approval by the A&M SYSTEM Board of Regents, or such date as mutually agreed upon by the parties (the "Closing Date").
- 6.02 <u>Documentation</u>.
 - A. <u>Conveyance</u>: At Closing, A&M SYSTEM will convey fee simple title to the Property free and clear of any lien, encumbrance or exception other than Permitted Exceptions, to **PURCHASER** by Special Warranty Deed in substantially the same format as <u>Exhibit "B"</u> attached to this Contract and incorporated for all purposes. The Special Warranty Deed will convey the surface estate only, and will not include any mineral interests or rights whatsoever.
 - B. <u>*Title Insurance*</u>: At Closing, the Title Company shall issue a current commitment to promptly deliver to **PURCHASER** an Owner's Policy of Title Insurance (excluding optional coverages) (the "Title Policy"), in an amount equal to the Purchase Price with no title exceptions other than Permitted Exceptions. No Schedule C items may appear as exceptions to the Title Policy.
 - C. <u>Authority</u>. Such evidence or documents as may reasonably be required by either party or the Title Company evidencing the status and capacity of the parties and the authority of the person or persons who are executing the various documents on behalf of each party in connection with the sale of the Property.
 - D. <u>*Miscellaneous*</u>: A&M SYSTEM and PURCHASER will execute such other instruments as are customarily executed in the State of Texas in connection with the conveyance and purchase of real property, including all required closing statements, releases, affidavits, evidences of authority to execute documents, tax forms, and other instruments which may be required by the Title Company, A&M SYSTEM and/or PURCHASER.

- 6.03 <u>Payment of Consideration</u>. At Closing, **PURCHASER** shall deliver to **A&M SYSTEM** the consideration required pursuant to <u>Section 3.01</u> above, by wire transfer or **PURCHASER**'s certified or cashier's check or Title Company check in immediately available U.S. funds, with a credit for the Earnest Money Deposit.
- 6.04 <u>Closing Costs</u>. To the extent the following fee allocations do not contradict other terms of this Contract, the closing costs and fees, if applicable, will be apportioned as follows: **A&M SYSTEM** shall pay the cost of deed preparation, the premium for the Owner's Policy of Title Insurance, one-half of the escrow fee charged by the Title Company, and the cost of tax statements and certificates, if any. **PURCHASER** shall pay one-half of the escrow fee charged by the Title Company, the recording fees, the cost of preparation of all documents required by lender, if any, the cost of the Survey, the cost of feasibility studies and the environmental assessment, if any, all ad valorem taxes due at and after Closing (there should be no ad valorem taxes due by **A&M SYSTEM**, as an agency of the State), and **PURCHASER**'s attorneys' fees and expenses. All other expenses will be paid by the party incurring them or as customary in the county in which the Property is located.

<u>ARTICLE 7</u> <u>DEFAULT BY PURCHASER</u>

If **PURCHASER** fails or refuses to comply with the terms of this Contract, and is not excused from performance by the express terms of this Contract, or excused by law, after **PURCHASER** has received 10 days prior written notice and an opportunity to cure, **A&M SYSTEM** may terminate the Contract, retain the Earnest Money Deposit and pursue any remedies available to it at law or in equity.

ARTICLE 8 DEFAULT BY A&M SYSTEM

If A&M SYSTEM fails or refuses to comply with the terms of this Contract, and is not excused from performance by the express terms of this Contract, or excused by law, after A&M SYSTEM has received notice and had a reasonable time to cure, PURCHASER may terminate this Contract and receive a refund of the Earnest Money Deposit, as PURCHASER's sole and exclusive remedy.

ARTICLE 9 CONDEMNATION

If, prior to Closing, all or any portion of the Property is condemned by governmental or other lawful authority, or such condemnation is threatened, **PURCHASER** will have the option of:

A. Closing the transaction to purchase the Property, in which event all condemnation monies, rights, or claims relating to the Property will be assigned to **PURCHASER**; or

B. Terminating this Contract, with neither party incurring any penalty, and without any further obligation under this Contract; however, **A&M SYSTEM** will retain all condemnation monies, rights or claims, and the Earnest Money Deposit will be returned to **PURCHASER**.

PURCHASER must exercise its option by giving written notice to **A&M SYSTEM** within 30 days following **PURCHASER**'s receipt of written notice from **A&M SYSTEM** (or a copy of such condemning authority's offer and appraisal reports) that a condemnation proceeding has commenced or been threatened.

ARTICLE 10 NOTICES

Any notice required or permitted under this Agreement must be in writing, and shall be deemed to be delivered (whether actually received or not) when deposited with the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, certified mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the intended recipient at the address set out below. Notice may also be given by regular mail, personal delivery, courier delivery, facsimile transmission, email or other commercially reasonably means and will be effective when actually received. A&M SYSTEM and PURCHASER can change their respective notice address by sending to the other party a notice of the new address. Notices should be addressed as follows:

A&M SYSTEM: The Texas A&M University System Office of General Counsel Attn: System Real Estate Office 301 Tarrow, 6th Floor College Station, Texas 77840-7896 Tel: (979) 458-6350 Fax: (979) 458-6359 Email: sreo@tamus.edu

PURCHASER:

ARTICLE 11 COMMISSIONS

Each party shall be responsible only for such commissions or fees as required in a separate, written agreement signed by such party.

<u>ARTICLE 12</u> <u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>

- 12.01 <u>Governing Law</u>. The validity of this Contract and all matters pertaining thereto, including but not limited to, matters of performance, non-performance, breach, remedies, procedures, rights, duties, and interpretation or construction, shall be governed and determined by the laws of the State of Texas. Pursuant to Section 85.18, *Texas Education Code*, venue for any suit filed against A&M SYSTEM shall be in the county in which the primary office of the chief executive officer of A&M SYSTEM is located which at the time of execution of this Contract is Brazos County, Texas.
- **12.02** <u>Grammatical</u>. Whenever the singular number is used, it includes the plural, and the masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter gender, unless the context requires otherwise.
- 12.03 <u>Time</u>. Time is of the essence in this Contract.
- **12.04** <u>Drafting</u>. The rule of construction that ambiguities in a document are construed against the party who drafted such ambiguous language will not be applied to this Contract.
- 12.05 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between A&M SYSTEM and PURCHASER regarding the sale and purchase of the Property and will not be explained, modified, or contradicted by any prior or contemporaneous negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. This Contract can be amended only by a subsequent written instrument signed by both parties.
- **12.06** <u>Binding Agreement</u>. Upon execution and delivery this Contract will constitute a valid and legally binding obligation of **A&M SYSTEM** and of **PURCHASER**, and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- **12.07** <u>Survival of Covenants</u>. The representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements of the parties, as well as any rights and benefits of the parties, specified in this Contract, will survive Closing and will not be merged into the Special Warranty Deed or any other conveyance instrument.
- **12.08** <u>Parties Bound</u>. This Contract is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors in interest or office, and assigns.
- **12.09** <u>Savings Clause</u>. Should any clause in this Contract be found invalid, unlawful or unenforceable by a court of law, the remainder of this Contract will not be affected and all other provisions in this Contract will remain valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- **12.10** Effective Date. The Effective Date of this Contract is the date the last party signs.

- **12.11** <u>Counterparts</u>. This Contract may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be fully effective as an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 12.12 <u>Assignment</u>. **PURCHASER** may not assign this Contract or any rights under this Contract without the prior written consent of A&M SYSTEM, which may be withheld for any or no reason at A&M SYSTEM's discretion.
- **12.13** <u>Headings</u>. Headings are for reference only and will not be construed to limit or alter the meaning of the provisions of this Contract.

ARTICLE 13 SPECIAL PROVISIONS

None.

[Signature pages follow]

EXECUTED on ______, 2018, by PURCHASER, or by its duly authorized officer.

PURCHASER:

_____,

By:			
Name:			
Title:			

duly authorized officer.

EXECUTED on ______, 2018, by A&M SYSTEM, or by its

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, an agency of the State of Texas

By:

JOHN SHARP Chancellor The Texas A&M University System

RECOMMEND APPROVAL:

Name:	
Title:	
University/Agency:	

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

R. J. DOLD Assistant General Counsel Office of General Counsel The Texas A&M University System

EXHIBIT "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Prepared by Office of General Counsel Real Estate Contract (Seller). Legal Files 2018-RJD

EXHIBIT "B"

SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED

Prepared by Office of General Counsel Real Estate Contract (Seller). Legal Files 2018-RJD NOTICE OF CONFIDENTIALITY RIGHTS: IF YOU ARE A NATURAL PERSON, YOU MAY REMOVE OR STRIKE ANY OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM ANY INSTRUMENT THAT TRANSFERS AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY BEFORE IT IS FILED FOR RECORD IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS: YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OR YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER.

SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED

(A&M System - Seller)

DATE:	This Deed is effective	ve, 2018		
GRANTOR:		GENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY r referred to as "A&M SYSTEM" or "GRANTOR")		
GRANTOR'S MAILING ADDRESS:		The Texas A&M University System Office of General Counsel Attn: System Real Estate 301 Tarrow, 6 th Floor College Station, Texas 77840-7896		
GRANTEE:		("GRANTEE")		
GRANTEE'S MAII	ING ADDRESS:			

CONSIDERATION: The sum of TEN AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are expressly acknowledged.

PROPERTY CONVEYED (including all improvements):

The surface only of that certain 0.3685 acres of land, more or less, out of the Nancy Smith Abstract in the City of Center, Shelby County, Texas, more particularly described on **Exhibit "A"** attached hereto and made a part hereof.

RESERVATIONS FROM CONVEYANCE: The **A&M SYSTEM** hereby reserves unto itself, its successors and assigns, all oil, gas and other minerals, including commercial water rights, in and under that may be produced from the Property. If the mineral estate is subject to existing production, this reservation includes the production, the lease, and all benefits from it.

EXCEPTIONS TO CONVEYANCE AND WARRANTY: This conveyance is made subject to:

(1) All presently valid and effective easements, rights-of-way and prescriptive rights whether of record or not, pertaining to any portion(s) of the Property;

(2) All presently recorded, valid and effective instruments constituting mineral estate severances of any kind, such as oil, gas and other mineral exceptions, rights of development or leases, and royalty reservations;

(3) All presently recorded, valid and effective restrictive covenants, terms, conditions, contracts, provisions and other items, and ordinances, governmental regulations, and laws affecting the Property;

(4) All presently recorded, valid and effective instruments that affect the Property, other than liens;

(5) Standby fees and taxes which are not yet due and payable for the current year and subsequent years, the payment of which Grantee assumes, and subsequent assessments for this and prior years due to change(s) in land usage, ownership, or both, the payment of which Grantee assumes; and

(6) Any condition that would be revealed by a physical inspection and survey of the Property, including but not limited to, any discrepancy, conflicts, or shortages in area or boundary lines, or any encroachments, or any overlapping of improvements.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER TERM OR PROVISION CONTAINED HEREIN TO THE CONTRARY, GRANTEE ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT **GRANTOR HAS NOT MADE, DOES NOT MAKE, AND SPECIFICALLY NEGATES** AND DISCLAIMS ANY **REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES, PROMISES**, COVENANTS, AGREEMENTS OR GUARANTEES OF ANY KIND OR CHARACTER WHATSOEVER, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, ORAL OR WRITTEN, PAST, PRESENT OR FUTURE, OF, AS TO, CONCERNING OR WITH RESPECT TO (A) THE VALUE, NATURE, QUALITY OR PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY, (B) THE INCOME TO BE DERIVED FROM THE PROPERTY OR GRANTEE'S USE AND **OPERATION THEREOF, (C) THE SUITABILITY OF THE PROPERTY OR ANY** PORTION THEREOF FOR ANY AND ALL ACTIVITIES AND USES WHICH GRANTEE MAY CONDUCT THEREON, (D) THE COMPLIANCE OF OR BY THE PROPERTY OR ITS OPERATION WITH ANY LAWS, RULES, ORDINANCES OR **REGULATIONS OF ANY APPLICABLE GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY, (E) THE** HABITABILITY, MERCHANTABILITY, MARKETABILITY, PROFITABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OF THE PROPERTY, OR (F) ANY OTHER MATTER WITH RESPECT TO THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY; AND SPECIFICALLY GRANTOR HAS NOT MADE, DOES NOT MAKE, AND SPECIFICALLY NEGATES AND DISCLAIMS ANY REPRESENTATIONS, OR WARRANTIES REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH ANY ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS. **GRANTEE FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT THE SALE OF THE** PROPERTY AS PROVIDED FOR HEREIN IS MADE ON AN "AS IS" CONDITION AND BASIS, WITH ALL FAULTS.

GRANTOR, for the consideration and subject to the Reservations from Conveyance and Restrictions, and the Exceptions to Conveyance and Warranty, **GRANTS**, **SELLS**, and **CONVEYS** to **GRANTEE** the Property, together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances thereto in any wise belonging, to have and to hold to **GRANTEE**, **GRANTEE'S** successors and assigns forever. **GRANTOR** binds itself and its successors and assigns to **WARRANT** and **FOREVER DEFEND** all and singular the Property to **GRANTEE** and **GRANTEE'S** successors and assigns against every person whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof by, through, or under **GRANTOR** but not otherwise, except as to the Reservations from Conveyance and the Exceptions to Conveyance and Warranty.

When the context requires, singular nouns and pronouns include the plural.

[Signature page follows]

BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, an agency of the State of Texas

By:

JOHN SHARP

Chancellor The Texas A&M University System

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

R. J. DOLD Assistant General Counsel Office of General Counsel The Texas A&M University System

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

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STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZOS

This instrument was acknowledged before me on ______, 2018 by **JOHN SHARP**, Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, on behalf of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, an agency of the State of Texas.

Notary Public in and for The State of Texas

AFTER RECORDING RETURN TO:

The Texas A&M University System Office of General Counsel Attn: System Real Estate 301 Tarrow, 6th Floor College Station, Texas 77840-7896

EXHIBIT "A"

Legal Description

[to be attached]