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77843-3257. *Connecting Current Environmental Science Research to Grade 7 - 14 Mathematics Classrooms.*

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