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Mark Kozek* (kozek@math.sc.edu), Mathematics Department, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC , and **Michael Filaseta** (filaseta@math.sc.edu), Mathematics Department, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC. *On Composite Numbers That Remain Composite After Any Insertion of a Digit.*

The number $N = 25011$ has the property that if you “insert” any digit $x \in \{0, \dots, 9\}$ “into” its decimal expansion, then the new number created by this insertion is always composite. That is, every number in the set $\{x25011, 2x5011, 25x011, 250x11, 2501x1, 25011x : 0 \leq x \leq 9\}$ is composite. In fact, 25011 is the smallest, composite, natural number, coprime to 10 that exhibits this property. We prove that there are infinitely many composite, natural numbers, N , coprime to 10, with the property that if you “insert” any digit $x \in \{0, \dots, 9\}$ “into” the decimal expansion of N , then the new number created by this insertion is always composite. (Received September 27, 2006)