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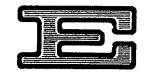
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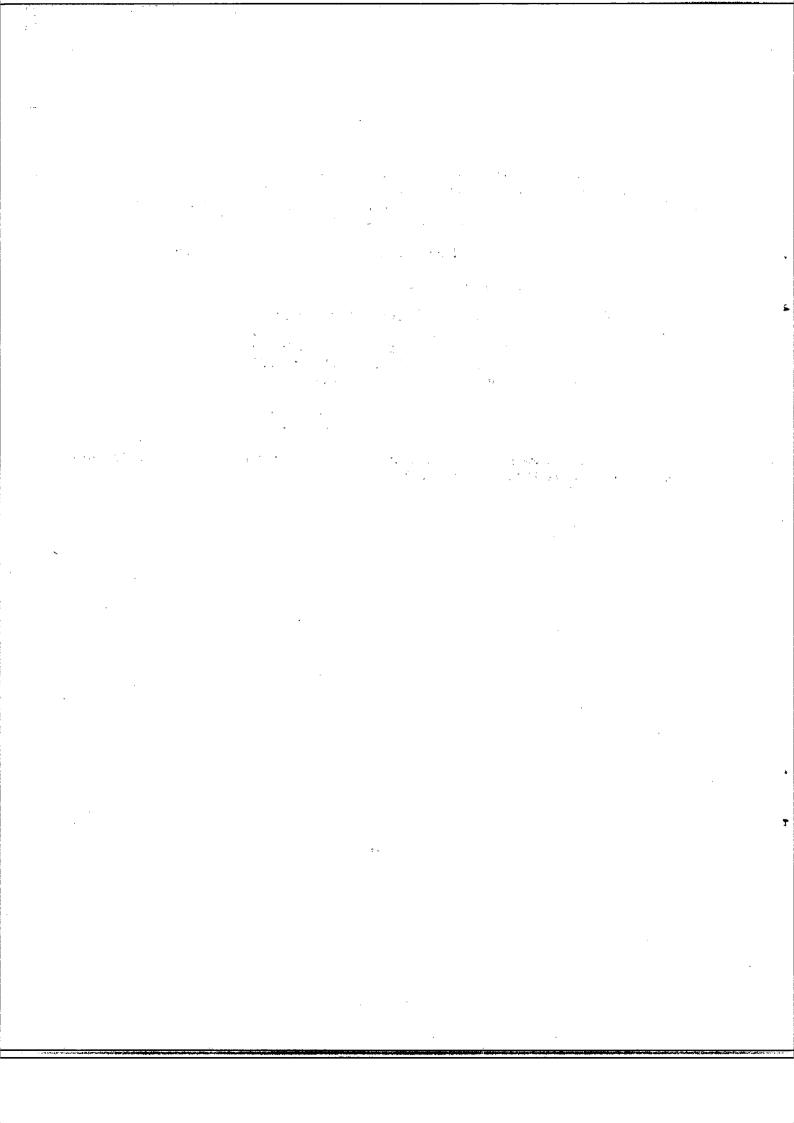
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  000 Activities not defined.
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       Agr.hunt.forestry,fishing
                                     Agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing.
                                     Agriculture and hunting.
       Agriculture and hunting.
  11
  111 Agriculture prd.livestock
                                     Agriculture products and livestock.
  1110 Agriculture prd.livestock
                                     Agriculture products and livestock.
  112 Agricultural services.
                                     Agricultural services.
  1120 Agricultural services.
                                     Agricultural services.
                                     Hunting, trapping and game propagation.
  113 Hunt. trap. game propagt.
  1130 Hunt. trap. game propagt.
                                     Hunting, trapping and game propagation.
     Forestry and logging.
                                     Forestry and logging.
  121 Forestry.
                                     Forestry.
  1210 Forestry.
                                     Forestry.
  122 Logging.
                                     Logging.
  1220 Logging.
                                     Logging.
  13 Fishing.
                                     Fishing.
  130 Fishing.
                                     Fishing.
                                     Ocean and coastal fishing
  1301 Ocean and coastal fishing
  1302 Fishing n.e.c.
                                     Fishing n.e.c.
  2 Mining and quarrying.
                                     Mining and quarrying.
                                     Coal mining.
  21
       Coal mining.
210 Coal mining.
                                     Coal mining.
  2100 Coal mining.
                                     Coal mining.
  22. Crude petroleum, nat. gas.
                                     Crude petroleum and natural gas.
  220 Crude petroleum, nat. gas.
                                     Crude petroleum and natural gas production.
                                     Crude petroleum and natural gas production.
  2200 Crude petroleum, nat. gas.
  23 Metal ore mining.
                                     Metal ore mining.
  230 Metal ore mining.
                                     Metal ore mining.
  2301 Iron ore mining.
                                     Iron ore mining.
  2302 Non-ferrous ore mining.
                                     Non-ferrous ore mining.
                                     Other mining.
  29 Other mining.
                                     Other mining.
  290 Other mining.
                                     Stone quarrying, clay and sand pits
  2901 Stone quar.clay.sand pits
  2902 Chemical, fertilz., mining.
                                     Chemical and fertilizer mineral mining.
  2903 Salt mining.
                                     Salt mining.
                                     Mining and quarrying n.e.c.
  2909 Mining, quarrying n.e.c.
      Manufacturing.
                                     Manufacturing.
  3
                                     Manufactured food, beverages, and tobacco.
  31
      Mf, food, beverages, tobacco
  311 Manufactured food
                                     Manufactured food.
                                     Slaughtering, preparing and preserving meat.
  3111 Slaughtr.prepa.prsv.meat.
  3112 Manufact. dairy products.
                                     Manufactured dairy products.
                                     Canned and preserved fruits and vegetables.
  3113 Can.presv.fruits, vegetbls
                                     Canned, preserved, processed fish, crustacea, others.
  3114 Can.presv.fish,crustacea.
                                     Manufactured vegetable and animal oils and fats.
  3115 Vegetbl.animal oils, fats.
                                     Grain mill products.
  3116 Grain mill products.
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(50 Charcater) (25 Character) Code Manufactured bakery products. 3117 Bakery products. Products of sugar factories and refineries. 3118 Sugar factry.refnry.prd. Manufactured cocoa, chocolate, sugar confectionery. 3119 Cocoa, choclt.sug.confect. Manufactured food n.e.c. & animal feeds. 312 Mnft. food n.e.c., feeds. Manufactured food products n.e.c. 3121 Manufct. food prd. n.e.c. Prepared animal feeds. 3122 Prepared animal feeds. 313 Manufactured beverages. Manufactured beverages. Distilling, rectifying and blending spirits. 3131 Distl.rect.blend.spirits. 3132 Wine. Malt liquors and malt. 3133 Malt liquors and malt. Soft drinks and carbonated waters. 3134 Soft drinks, carbo. waters Manufactured tobacco. 314 Manufactured tobacco. Manufactured tobacco. 3140 Manufactured tobacco. Manufactured textiles, wearing apparel and leather Textiles, wear. app. leather Manufactured textiles. 321 Manufactured textiles. Products for spinning, weaving & finished textiles. 3211 Spin.weav.finish.textiles Made-up textile goods except wearing apparel. 3212 Made-up text, exl.wear-ap. Knitting mills products. 3213 Knitting mills products. Carpets and rags. 3214 Carpets and rags. Cordage, rope and twine. 3215 Cordage, rope, & twine. Textiles n.e.c. 3219 Textiles n.e.c. Manufactured wearing apparel, except footwear. 322 Wearing appa.exl.footwear Wearing apparel, except footwear. 3220 Wearing appa.exl.footwear Leather, prd, leather, subst., fur, exl. footwr, wear-app 323 Leather, fur, exl. ftwr.w.ap Products of tanneries and finished leather. 3231 Tanned, finished leather. Products of fur dressing and dyeing industries. 3232 Fur dressing dyeing prd. Leather prd. & of substit.exl.footwr.& wear-app. 3233 Prd.leather exl.ftwr.w-a. Footwear, exl. vulcanized, moulded rubber, plastic fw. 324 Footwear, exl. rub. plastic Footwear, exl. vulcanized, moulded rubber, plastic fw. 3240 Footwear, exl. rub. plastic Mnf. of wood and wood products including furniture Wood, wood prd., furniture. Wood and wood and cork products, except furniture. 331 Wood, cork prd.exl.furnitr Products of sawmills, planning & other wood mills. 3311 Sawmills, wood mills prd. Wooden & cane containers & small cane ware. 3312 Wood.cane contain.canewr. Wood and cork products n.e.c. 3319 Wood & cork prd. n.e.c. Furniture and fixtures, except primarely of metal. 332 Furniture, fixtr.exl.metal Furniture and fixtures, except primarely of metal.

342 Printing and publishing. 3420 Printing and publishing.

Chemicals and chemic.prd.

3320 Furniture, fixtr, exl. metal

341 Paper and paper products.

3411 Pulp,paper & paperboards.

3412 Contain.box.of pap.papbd.

3419 Pulp.pap.papbd.art,n.e.c.

34

Paper, pap. prd. print. pubsh

351 Industrial chemicals.

Manufactured pulp, paper and paperboards.

Containers & boxes of paper & paperboards.

Pulp.papers & paperboards articles n.e.c.

Products of printing, publishing & allied industr. Products of printing, publishing & allied industr. Chemicals, chem. petroleum, coal, rubber, plastic prd.

Paper and paper products, printing and publishing

Manufactured industrial chemicals.

Paper and paper products.

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Code
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3511 Industr.chem.exl.fertlzs.
                                    Manufactured basic industrial chemicals exl.fertz.
3512 Mf.fertilizers, pesticides
                                    Manufactured fertilizers and pesticides.
3513 Synt.resins plast.fibres.
                                    Synt. resins, plastic materials & man-made fibres.
352 Other chemical products.
                                    Other manufactured chemical products.
3521 Paints, varnishes, lacquers
                                    Paints, varnishes and lacquers.
3522 Drugs and medecines.
                                    Drugs and medecines.
3523 Soap clean.prep.perfumes.
                                    Soap & cleaning prep., perfumes, cosmetics, & other.
3529 Chemical products n.e.c.
                                    Manufactured chemical products n.e.c.
353 Petroleum refineries prd.
                                    Petroleum refineries, products.
3530 Petroleum refineries prd.
                                    Petroleum refineries, products.
354 Misc, petroleum, coal prd.
                                    Miscellaneous products of petroleum and coal.
                                    Miscellaneous products of petroleum and coal.
3540 Misc.petroleum, coal prd.
355 Rubber products
                                    Manufactured rubber products.
3551 Tyres and tubes.
                                    Tyres and tubes.
3559 Rubber products n.e.c.
                                    Rubber products n.e.c.
356 Plastic products n.e.c.
                                    Plasit products n.e.c.
3560 Plastic products n.e.c.
                                    Plastic products n.e.c.
                                    Non-metallic mineral products, exl, prd. petrol., coal
     Non-metallic mineral prd.
361 Pottery, china, earthenware
                                    Pottery, china, earthenware.
3610 Pottery, china, earthenware
                                    Pottery, china and earthenware.
362 Glass and glass products.
                                    Glass and glass products.
3620 Glass and glass products.
                                    Glass and glass products.
369 Other non-mt.mineral prd.
                                    Other non-metallic mineral products.
3691 Structural clay products.
                                    Structural clay products.
                                    Cement lime & plaster.
3692 Cement, lime & plaster.
                                    Non-metallic mineral products n.e.c.
3699 Non-metalc.min.prd.n.e.c.
37
     Basic metal industries.
                                    Basic metal industries.
                                    Products of iron and steel basic industries.
371 Iron and steel basic prd.
                                    Products of iron and steel basic industries.
3710 Iron and steel basic prd.
                                    Products of non-ferrous metal basic industries.
372 Non-ferrous metal ba.prd.
3720 Non-ferrous metal ba.prd.
                                    Products of non-ferrous metal basic industries.
38
     Fab.metal.prd.mach.equip.
                                    Fabricated metal products, machinery and equipment.
                                    Fabricated metal products, exl. machinery, equiphent
381 Fb.metal prd.exl.mach.equ
                                    Cutlery, hand tools & general hardware.
3811 Cutlery, hand tools, hardw.
3812 Furnitr.fixtr.prima, metl.
                                    Furniture & fixtures primarely of metal.
                                    Structural metal products.
3813 Structural metal products
                                    Fabricated metal products n.e.c. exl.mach. & equp.
3819 Fab.metl.prd.nec.exl.mach
382 Machinery exl. electrical
                                    Machinery except electrical.
                                    Engines & turbines.
3821 Engines & turbines.
                                    Agricultural machinery & equipment.
3822 Agri.machinery, equipment.
                                    Metal & wood working machinery.
3823 Metal, wood working machn.
                                    Special industrial machinery & equipment ex1.3823.
3824 Special indst.mach.equip.
3825 Office, comput.accnt.mach.
                                    Office, computing & accounting machinery.
                                    Machinery & equipment n.e.c. except electrical.
3829 Mach.equip.nec.exl.elect.
                                    Electrical machinery apparatus, appliances, supplies
383 Elect.machinery,appliance
                                    Electrical industrial machinery and apparatus.
3831 Elect.inds.mach.apparatus
                                    Radio t.v. & communication equipment & apparatus.
3832 Radio, t.v. comm. eqp. appts.
3833 Elect.appliances, housewr.
                                    Electrical appliances & houseware.
                                    Electrical apparatus & supplies n.e.c.
3839 Elect.apparatus n.e.c.
                                    Transport equipment.
384 Transport equipment.
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Code
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                                         Ships and ship repairs.
3841 Ships & ship repairs.
                                    Railroad equipment.
3842 Railroad equipment.
                                    Motor vehicles.
3843 Motor vehicles.
                                    Motorcycles & bicycles.
3844 Motorcycles & bicycles.
3845 Aircrafts.
                                    Aircrafts.
3849 Transport equipmnt.n.e.c.
                                    Transport equipment n.e.c.
                                    Prof.scientific, measur.control equp.nec.phot.optic
385 Prof.scient.control equp.
                                    Prof.scientific, measure, control equipment n.e.c.
3851 Prof.scient.contrl.n.e.c.
                                    Photographic & optical goods.
3852 Photogrph.& optical goods
                                    Watches & clocks.
3853 Watches & clocks.
                                    Other manufactured products.
     Other manufactured prd.
                                    Other manufactured products.
390 Other manufactured prd.
                                    Jewellery & related articles
3901 Jewellery, related articl.
                                    Musical instruments.
3902 Musical instruments.
3903 Sporting & athletic goods
                                    Sporting & athlethic goods.
3909 Manufactured prod. n.e.c.
                                    Manufactured products n.e.c.
                                    Electricity, gas and water.
     Electricity, gas, water.
4
                                    Electricity, gas, and steam.
41
     Electricity, gas, steam.
                                    Electricity, gas and steam.
410 Electricity, gas, steam.
4101 Electric light and power.
                                    Electric light and power.
4102 Gas manfct.& distribution
                                    Manufactured gas & distribution.
                                    Steam & hot water supply.
4103 Steam & hot water supply.
     Water works and supply:
                                    Water works and supply.
42
420 Water works and supply.
                                    Water works and supply.
4200 Water works and supply.
                                    Water works and supply.
     Construction.
                                    Construction.
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     Construction.
                                    Construction.
                                    Construction.
500 Construction.
5000 Construction.
                                    Construction.
                                    Wholesale and retail trade, restaurants and hotels
     Whlsal.rtalle.trd.htl.rst
61
     Wholesale trade.
                                    Wholesale trade.
610
    Wholesale trade.
                                    Wholesale trade.
6100 Wholesale trade.
                                    Wholesale trade.
     Retail trade.
                                    Retail trade.
62
                                    Retail trade.
620 Retail trade.
                                    Retail trade.
6200 Retail trade.
     Restaurants and hotels.
                                    Restaurants and hotels.
63
631 Restaurants, cafes, others.
                                    Restaurants, cafes, other eating and drinking places
                                    Restaurants, cafes, other eating and drinking places
6310 Restaurants, cafes, others.
632 Hotels, lodging, others.
                                    Hotels, rooming houses, camps, other lodging places.
                                    Hotels, rooming houses, camps, other lodging places.
6320 Hotels, lodging, others.
                                    Transport, storage and communication.
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     Transport, storase, commun.
                                    Transport and storage.
     Transport and storage.
711 Land transport.
                                    Land transport.
                                    Highway passenger transport.
7112 Highway passenger transp.
                                    Other passenger land transport.
7113 Other passng, land transp.
                                    Freight transport by road.
7114 Freight road-transport.
7115 Pipeline transport.
                                    Pipeline transport.
                                    Supporting services to land transport.
7116 Land transp. support, srv.
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Code (25 Character) (50 Charcater) ____ 712 Water transport. Water transport. 7121 Ocean, coast. water transp. Ocean & coastal water transport. 7122 Inland water transport. Inland water transport. 7123 Water transp.support.srv. Supporting services to water transport. 713 Air transport. Air transport. 7131 Air transport carriers. Air transport carriers. 7132 Air transprt.support.srv. Supporting services to air transport. 719 Transport allied services Services allied to transport. 7191 Srv.incidental to transp. Services incidental to transport. 7192 Storage & warehousing. Storage & warehousing. Communication. Communication. 720 Communication. Communication. 7200 Communication. Communication. Fin.insur.real-es.bus.srv Financing, insurance, real estate, business services Financial institutions. Financial institutions. 810 Financial institutions. Financial institutions. 8101 Monetary institutions. Monetary institutions. 8102 Other financial institut. Other financial institutions. 8103 Financial services. Financial services. 82 Insurance. Insurance. 820 Insurance. Insurance. 8200 Insurance. Insurance. Real estate, business srv Real estate and business services. 831 Real estate. Real estate. 8310 Real estate. Real estate. 832 Business srv. exl. rental Business services exl.mach.equp.rental and leasing 8321 Legal services. Legal services. 8322 Accnt.audit.bookkeep.srv. Accounting, auditing & bookkeeping services. 8323 Data process.tabulat.srv. Data processing and tabulating services. 8324 Engineer.archit.tech.srv. Engineering, architectural & technical services. 8325 Advertising services. Advertising services. 8329 Busns.srv.n.e.c.exl.lease Business services n.e.c. exl.mach.equip.rent-lease 833 Mach.equp. rental, leasing Machinery and equipment rental and leasing. 8330 Mach.equp.rental & lease. Machinery & equipment rental & lease. 9 Community, social, pers.srv Community, social, and personal services. Public adm, and defence. Public administration and defence. 910 Public adm. and defence. Public administration and defence. 9100 Public adm. and defence. Public administration and defence. Sanitary and similar srv. Sanitary and similar services. 920 Sanitary and similar srv. Sanitary and simalar services. 9200 Sanitary & similar srv. Sanitary & similar services. 93 Social, community services Social and related community services. 931 Education services. Education services. 9310 Educational services. Educational services. 932 Research, scientific inst. Research and scientific institutions. 9320 Research, scientific inst. Research and scientific institutions. 933 Med.dent.oth.health.vetr. Medical, dental, other health, veterinary services. 9331 Medic.dent.other heath sv Medical, dental & other health services. 9332 Veterinary services. Veterinary services.

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Welfare institutions. 934 Welfare institutions. Welfare institutions: 9340 Welfare institutions. 935 Business, prof., lab., assc. 9350 Business, prol., lab., assc. 939 Other social, communt.srv. Religious organizations. 9391 Religious organizations. 9399 Social comm.srv. n.e.c. Recreational, cultural srv 94 941 Motion pict.entertmt.srv. Motion picture production. 9411 Motion picture production 9412 Motion pict, distr.projec. Radio & t.v. brodcasting. 9413 Radio, t.v., broadcasting. 9414 Theater.produc.entert.srv 9415 Author.composer.arts.nec. 942 Libraries, museums, zoo, etc 9420 Libraries, museums, zoo, etc 949 Amusmt.recreat.srv.n.e.c. 9490 Amusmt.recreat.srv.n.e.c. Personal and household services. Personal household srv. 95 Repair services n.e.c. 951 Repair services n.e.c. 9511 Repair footwr,& leath.prd Electrical repair shops. 9512 Electrical repair shops. 9513 Motor vehic.cycles repair 9514 Watch, clock, jewel. repair. Other repair shops n.e.c. 9519 Other repair shops n.e.c. 952 Laundries, cleaning, dyeing 9520 Laundries, cleaning, dyeing Domestic services. 953 Domestic services. Domestic services. 9530 Domestic services. 959 Misc. personal services. Barber & beauty shops. 9591 Barber & beauty shops. 9592 Photo.studios,& comm.pho. Personal services n.e.c. 9599 Personal services n.e.c. Int'l, extra-territ, bodies International and other extra-territorial bodies. 960 Int'l.extra-territ.bodies International and other extra-territorial bodies. 9600 Int'l.extra-territ, bodies

Business, professional & labour associations. Business, professional & labour associations. Other social and related community services. Social & related community services n.e.c. Recreational and cultural services. Motion picture and other entertainment services. Motion picture distribution & projection. Theatrical producers & entertainment services. Author, music composers & other indp.artists n.e.c. Libraries, museums, botanic, zoo, other cult.srv.nec. Libraries, museums, botanic, zoo, other cult.srv.nec. Amusement and recreational services n.e.c. Amusement and recreational services n.e.c. Repair of footwear & other leather goods. Repair of motor, vehicles & motorcycles. Watch, clock & jewellery repair. Laundries, laudry services, & cleaning & dyeing. Laundries, laundry services, & cleaning & dyeing. Miscellaneous personal services. Photographig studios & commercial photography. International and other extra-territorial bodies.

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