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Wheelchairs - Part 14: Power and control systems for electrically powered wheelchairs and scooters - Requirements and test methods

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