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Ms. Kathy Mixon  
4609 W. 4th Street  
Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39402

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Mr. Dennis Basham  
3418 Hardy Street  
Hattiesburg, Mississippi 39401

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Mr. Donald Scott  
24536 Arcadia Road  
Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571

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Ms. Charlotte Derby  
307 C Sweeny Drive  
Biloxi, Mississippi 39531

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Mr. Scott Stradtner  
12816 John Williams Road  
Moss Point, Mississippi 39562

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119 Croesus Street  
Biloxi, Mississippi 39530

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14754 John Clark Road  
Gulfport, Mississippi 39503

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886 McGowan Drive  
Southaven, Mississippi 38671

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318 Spratley Avenue  
Biloxi, Mississippi 39531

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1202 11th Street  
Pascagoula, Mississippi 39567

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1105 E. Cherokee Glen  
Ocean Springs, Mississippi 39564

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2004 Greycliff  
Gautier, Mississippi 39553

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Mr. Joseph Strevel  
60131 South Hatley Road  
Amory, Mississippi 38821

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105 Penny Court  
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255 Front Beach Drive, #30  
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1712 Beth Circle  
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15240 Royal Street  
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6865 State Boulevard Extension  
Meridian, Mississippi 39305

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11087 Bayou Bernard Road  
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11483 Magnolia Estates Lane  
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156 North Brooks Street  
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Mr. Les Ferguson, Jr.  
12230 Five Oaks Drive  
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2406 Avenida Del Pinar  
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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dobbs, Jr.  
3421 Seabass Road  
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2506 Calle De Feliz Street  
Gautier, Mississippi 39553

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Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520

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Gulfport, Mississippi 39507

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Ocean Springs, Mississippi 39566

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4010 Sherwood  
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