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We present to you the eighteenth edition of our Software Licensing Bulletin, which provides key insights on IBM® software licensing.

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We hope the bulletin was informative. We would be happy to arrange for any additional information that you may require on the subject. Please write to us at in-fmkpmgccsbulletin@kpmg.com, for any queries or feedback.

Regards,

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