# **Daily Commodity Analysis Report**

Wednesday, August 18, 2021 Wednesday















MARKET	MOVEME	NT									
Commodity	Unit	Last	% Cng	Weekly	Monthly	YTD	Yearly	50DMA	100DMA	200DMA	
Gold	1 Kg	47280.00	0.12	1.34	-1.30	-5.73	-11.96	SELL	SELL	SELL	
Silver	30 Kg	63226.00	-0.36	-2.77	-9.22	-7.13	-12.37	SELL	SELL	SELL	
\$Gold	100 Tr. Oz	1791.15	0.31	1.27	-1.24	-5.93	-9.41	SELL	SELL	SELL	
\$ Silver	5000 Tr. Oz	23.782	0.70	-2.73	-9.74	-10.14	-16.19	SELL	SELL	SELL	
Crude	100 BBL	4956.00	-1	-2.76	-13.11	40.72	36.30	SELL	SELL	BUY	
Nat.Gas	1250 mmBtu	285.40	-3.12	-8.43	3.71	56.95	43.21	BUY	BUY	BUY	
\$ Crude	1,000 Barrels	66.59	-1.04	-0.93	-11.62	39.25	37.52	SELL	SELL	BUY	
\$ Nat. Gas	10000 mmBtu	3.84	-2.76	-8.43	3.71	56.95	43.21	BUY	BUY	BUY	
Aluminium	5MT	207.45	-0.34	1.15	4.13	47.43	30.78	BUY	BUY	BUY	<i>‡</i>
Copper	2500Kg	709.70	-2.29	-3.22	-2.28	19.33	29.04	SELL	SELL	BUY	#
Lead	5MT	179.05	-1.16	1.43	-0.20	15.61	14.12	BUY	BUY	BUY	#
Nickel	1500Kg	1461.00	-1.52	0.08	3.79	20.47	27.03	BUY	BUY	BUY	#
Zinc	5MT	248.60	-0.64	0.68	3.50	35.67	24.68	BUY	BUY	BUY	#
LME Alum	25 Tonnes	2603.50	1.07	0.00	1.76	30.45	31.74	BUY	BUY	BUY	#
LME Copp	25,000 Lbs.	9326.00	1.11	-2.66	-1.91	18.98	32.03	SELL	SELL	BUY	#
LME Lead	5 Tonnes	2303.50	0.46	0.87	-0.28	15.77	15.23	SELL	SELL	BUY	#
LME Nickel	250 Kg	19325.00	0.49	-0.03	2.50	15.90	26.92	BUY	BUY	BUY	#
LME Zinc	5 Tonnes	3023.00	0.67	0.43	2.21	9.26	21.26	BUY	BUY	BUY	7

<sup>\* 50</sup>DMA - If prices trading above 50DMA "BUY" Signal is shown

Note:

<sup>\* 50</sup>DMA - If prices trading below 50DMA "SELL" Signal is shown

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<sup>\*</sup> Domestic Rates are as per closing basis and International rates are as per 8.30am







<b>Currency S</b>	Snapshot		
Currency	Last	% Cng	
USDINR	74.44	0.09	
EURINR	87.65	0.22	
GBPINR	102.68	-0.01	
JPYINR	68.11	0.90	
EURUSD	1.1721	0.10	
GBPUSD	1.3759	0.12	
USDJPY	109.58	0.01	
Dollar Index	93.05	-0.09	•

<b>Indices Sn</b>	apshot		
Indices	Last	Change	)
NIFTY	16614.60	0.31	
SENSEX	55792.27	0.38	
HANGSENG	25745.87	-1.66	•
NIKKEI	27424.47	-0.36	•
STRAITS	3115.40	-0.96	•
CAC 40	6801.39	-0.55	•
DAX	15896.23	-0.19	•
DJIA	35625.40	0.31	
NASDAQ	14793.76	-0.20	•
JAKARTA	6087.91	-0.84	•
KOSPI	3143.09	-0.89	•

LME Stock Snapsho	ot	
Commodity	Stock	Cng
LME Aluminium	1322150	9200
LME Copper	236325	775
LME Lead	57375	-325
LME Nickel	200382	-1830
LME Zinc	232100	-3700

Open Inter	Open Interest Snapshot							
Commodity	Last	OI	% Cng	Status				
Gold	47280.00	12096	-4.99	Short Covering				
Silver	63226.00	9680	-0.88	Long Liquidation				
Crude	4956.00	4237	-6.74	Long Liquidation				
Nat.Gas	285.40	10852	8.16	Fresh Selling				
Aluminium	207.45	1685	-2.94	Long Liquidation				
Copper	709.70	5515	25.23	Fresh Selling				
Lead	179.05	976	-0.41	Long Liquidation				
Nickel	1461.00	1435	-6.39	Long Liquidation				
Zinc	248.60	1277	-22.89	Long Liquidation				

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Calendar	Spreads S	napshot			
Commodity	Near Month	Next Month	Spread	P. Spread	Change
Gold	47280.00	47434.00	154.00	177.00	-23.00
Silver	63226.00	63951.00	725.00	751.00	-26.00
Crude	4956.00	4956.00	0.00	-1.00	1.00
Nat.Gas	285.40	287.00	1.60	1.60	0.00
Aluminium	207.45	205.70	-1.75	-0.70	-1.05
Copper	709.70	712.80	3.10	2.45	0.65
Lead	179.05	178.20	-0.85	-1.25	0.40
Nickel	1461.00	1455.00	-6.00	-6.50	0.50
Zinc	248.60	246.45	-2.15	-2.35	0.20

Commodity Ratio Snapshot								
Commodity	Annual							
Commodity	Close	Max	Min	Avg				
Gold / Silver Ratio	74.78	100.90	65.55	76.56				
Gold / Crude Ratio	9.54	19.58	8.37	13.37				
Gold / Copper Ratio	66.62	112.33	59.19	82.95				
Silver / Crude Ratio	12.76	25.03	12.33	17.32				
Silver / Copper Ratio	89.09	147.81	85.79	107.76				
Zinc / Lead Ratio	138.84	141.74	111.81	131.07				
Crude / Nat.Gas Ratio	17.37	25.87	10.60	19.76				

<b>Economical D</b>	Economical Data								
Time	Currency	Data	Fcst	Prev					
2:30pm	EUR	Final CPI y/y	0.022	0.019					
2:30pm	EUR	Final Core CPI y/y	0.007	0.007					
Tentative	EUR	German 30-y Bond Auction		0.03 1.3					
6:00pm	USD	Building Permits	1.61M	1.59M					
6:00pm	USD	Housing Starts	1.60M	1.64M					
18th-20th	USD	Mortgage Delinquencies		0.0638					
8:00pm	USD	Crude Oil Inventories	-1.5M	-0.4M					



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Commodity Market Daily	Trading Levels								
Commodity	Close	Support 3	Support 2	Support 1	Pivot Point	Resist 1	Resist 2	Resist 3	Trend
Gold	47280.00	46759.00	46971.00	47125.00	47337.00	47491.00	47703.00	47857.00	Positive
Silver	63226.00	62006.00	62506.00	62866.00	63366.00	63726.00	64226.00	64586.00	Negative
\$ Gold	1785.87	1777.40	1780.60	1785.90	1789.10	1794.40	1797.60	1802.90	Positive
\$ Silver	23.65	23.40	23.50	23.60	23.70	23.80	23.90	24.00	Negative
Crude oil	4956.00	4806.00	4867.00	4912.00	4973.00	5018.00	5079.00	5124.00	Negative
Natural Gas	285.40	272.90	278.50	281.90	287.50	290.90	296.50	299.90	Negative
\$ Crude oil	66.59	65.75	66.28	66.43	66.96	67.11	67.64	67.79	Negative
\$ Natural Gas	3.8370	3.6243	3.7137	3.7753	3.8647	3.9263	4.0157	4.0773	Negative
Aluminium	207.45	203.00	205.10	206.30	208.40	209.60	211.70	212.90	Negative
Copper	709.70	683.00	696.10	702.90	716.00	722.80	735.90	742.70	Negative
Lead	179.05	174.80	176.70	177.90	179.80	181.00	182.90	184.10	Negative
Nickel	1461.00	1414.60	1434.10	1447.60	1467.10	1480.60	1500.10	1513.60	Negative
Zinc	248.60	243.80	246.00	247.30	249.50	250.80	253.00	254.30	Negative
LME Aluminium	2576.00	2482.50	2526.00	2551.00	2594.50	2619.50	2663.00	2688.00	Negative
LME Copper	9224.00	8859.33	9040.67	9132.33	9313.67	9405.33	9586.67	9678.33	Negative
LME Lead	2293.00	2241.00	2266.00	2279.50	2304.50	2318.00	2343.00	2356.50	Negative
LME Nickel	19230.00	18376.67	18733.33	18981.67	19338.33	19586.67	19943.33	20191.67	Negative
LME Zinc	3003.00	2931.00	2964.00	2983.50	3016.50	3036.00	3069.00	3088.50	Negative

### **Latest News Update**

Boston Federal Reserve Bank President Eric Rosengren said that one more month of strong job gains could satisfy the U.S. central bank's requirements for beginning to reduce its monthly asset purchases. "We've had two months in a row where we've created more than 900,000 jobs and the unemployment rate dropped by half a percent to 5.4%," Rosengren said during an interview with CNBC. "If we get another strong labor market report, I think that I would be supportive of announcing in September that we are ready to start the taper program." Fed officials said in December that they would continue purchasing assets at the current pace of \$120 billion a month until there is "substantial further progress" toward the central bank's goals for inflation and employment. Rosengren said he believed the standard was already met for inflation, which is running slightly above the Fed's 2% target. The policymaker repeated his view that he would support reducing the purchases of mortgage-backed securities and Treasury securities by equal amounts.

Japan's economy rebounded more than expected in the second quarter after slumping in the first three months of this year, data showed, a sign consumption and capital expenditure were recovering from the coronavirus pandemic's initial hit. The world's third-largest economy grew an annualised 1.3% in April-June after a revised 3.7% slump in the first quarter, preliminary gross domestic product (GDP) data showed, beating a median market forecast for a 0.7% gain. Still, the rebound was much weaker than that of other advanced economies including the United States, which marked a 6.5% annualised expansion in the second quarter, highlighting the fallout from Tokyo's struggle in containing the pandemic. An unexpected rebound in April-June consumption also highlighted the dilemma the government faces, as citizens are becoming less responsive to voluntary, repeated stop-and-go requests to stay home. Consumption rose 0.8% in April-June from the previous quarter, confounding market forecasts for a 0.1% decline and rebounding from a 1.0% drop in January-March, the data showed.







Gold yesterday settled up by 0.12% at 47280 as some investors opted for the dollar instead as surging COVID-19 Delta variant cases posed a threat to a global economic recovery. Risk sentiment in wider financial markets remained weak as disappointing U.S. retail sales data and a spike in COVID-19 infections worldwide dented appetite for riskier assets. The market's focus now turns to minutes from Federal Reserve's July meeting due on Wednesday for cues on the central bank's stimulus tapering. Markets are also keeping a close watch on rising geopolitical implications in Afghanistan. Production at U.S. factories surged in July, boosted by an acceleration in motor vehicle output as auto makers either pared or canceled annual retooling shutdowns to work around a global semiconductor shortage. Manufacturing output jumped 1.4% last month after falling 0.3% in June, the Federal Reserve said. The New York area saw business activity grow at a slower but still significant pace in early August, according to a survey by the New York Federal Reserve. The survey's headline business activity index fell to 27.8 in August from 41.7 in July, moving away from record-setting pace of growth seen over the past few months. Technically market is under short covering as market has witnessed drop in open interest by -4.99% to settled at 12096 while prices up 55 rupees, now Gold is getting support at 47125 and below same could see a test of 46971 levels, and resistance is now likely to be seen at 47491, a move above could see prices testing 47703.



#### **Fundamentals**

Silver yesterday settled down by -0.36% at 63226 as traders remained cautious and waited for a clearer picture of the US Fed's monetary policy outlook, after recent economic data buoved the greenback, Boston Federal Reserve Bank President Eric Rosengren said that one more month of strong job gains could satisfy the U.S. central bank's requirements for beginning to reduce its monthly asset purchases. "We've had two months in a row where we've created more than 900,000 jobs and the unemployment rate dropped by half a percent to 5.4%," Rosengren said. The dollar gained bolstered by safe-haven demand as investors fretted about Afghanistan, China's plans to regulate the internet sector, and the Delta variant COVID-19 spread which forced some lockdowns. U.S. business inventories increased strongly in June, though raw material shortages continue to frustrate efforts by motor vehicle retailers to restock. Business inventories rose 0.8% after advancing 0.6% in May, the Commerce Department said. U.S. homebuilder confidence in the market for single-family homes fell in August to its lowest reading in 13 months, driven by higher construction costs and supply shortages, a report showed. The NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Market index declined 5 points to a reading of 75 this month, its lowest level since July 2020, from 80 in July. Technically market is under long liquidation as market has witnessed drop in open interest by -0.88% to settled at 9680 while prices down -231 rupees, now Silver is getting support at 62866 and below same could see a test of 62506 levels, and resistance is now likely to be seen at 63726, a move above could see prices testing 64226.

### Trading Idea for the day

Gold trading range for the day is 46971-47703.

Gold prices retreated from highs as some investors opted for the dollar instead as surging COVID-19 Delta variant cases posed a threat to a global economic recovery.

Disappointing U.S. retail sales data and a spike in COVID-19 infections worldwide dented appetite for riskier assets.

The market's focus now turns to minutes from Federal Reserve's July meeting due on Wednesday for cues on the central bank's stimulus tapering.

### Trading Idea for the day

Silver trading range for the day is 62506-64226.

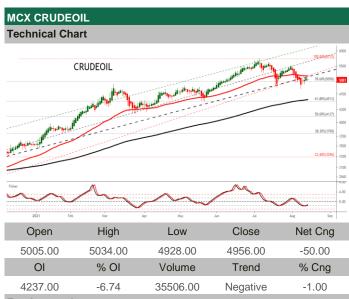
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Fed's Rosengren: Another strong jobs report could support September taper announcement

U.S. homebuilder confidence in the market for single-family homes fell in August to its lowest reading in 13 months







Crude oil yesterday settled down by -1% at 4956 as losses incurred on the back of weak demand picture in Asia and OPEC and its allies saying the market does not need more crude. On the demand side, daily crude processing in China, the world's biggest oil importer, fell to its lowest in July since May 2020 as independent plants slashed production amid tighter quotas, high inventories and weakening profits. China's factory output and retail sales growth also slowed sharply and missed expectations in July, as new COVID-19 outbreaks and floods disrupted businesses. Hedge funds sold petroleum last week for the sixth time in eight weeks as resurgent coronavirus infections in China, Europe and North America dampened hopes of a rapid resumption in long-distance air travel. On the supply side, U.S. shale oil output is expected to rise to 8.1 million barrels per day (bpd) in September, the highest since April 2020, according government data. Last week, U.S. President Joe Biden's administration urged OPEC+, which groups members of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries and other producers such as Russia, to boost oil output to tackle rising gasoline prices. U.S. oil rigs rose 10 to 397 last week, their highest since April 2020, and up from 172 a year ago. Baker Hughes data showed. Technically market is under long liquidation as market has witnessed drop in open interest by -6.74% to settled at 4237 while prices down -50 rupees, now Crude oil is getting support at 4912 and below same could see a test of 4867 levels, and resistance is now likely to be seen at 5018, a move above could see prices testing 5079.



#### **Fundamentals**

Nat.Gas yesterday settled down by -3.12% at 285.4 as weather forecasts turned milder than before, potentially dimming demand for the fuel used to cool homes and businesses. Data provider Refinitiv projected average U.S. gas demand, including exports, would rise from 92 billion cubic feet per day (bcfd) this week to 93 bcfd next week. Refinitiv also said gas output in the U.S. Lower 48 states averaged 92 bcfd so far in August, up from 91.6 bcfd in July. That compares with an all-time high of 95.4 bcfd in November 2019. The amount of gas flowing to U.S. LNG export plants is expected to jump to 11 bcfd in the next two weeks. The U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) said utilities added 49 billion cubic feet (bcf) of gas into storage during the week ended Aug. 6. Last week's injection boosted stockpiles to 2.776 trillion cubic feet (tcf), or 6.0% below the five-year average of 2.954 tcf for this time of year. Data provider Refinitiv said gas output in the U.S. Lower 48 states rose to an average of 92.0 billion cubic feet per day (bcfd) so far in August from 91.6 bcfd in July. That compares with an all-time high of 95.4 bcfd in November 2019. Technically market is under fresh selling as market has witnessed gain in open interest by 8.16% to settled at 10852 while prices down -9.2 rupees, now Natural gas is getting support at 281.9 and below same could see a test of 278.5 levels, and resistance is now likely to be seen at 290.9, a move above could see prices testing 296.5.

### Trading Idea for the day

Crude oil trading range for the day is 4867-5079.

Crude oil prices dropped as losses incurred on the back of weak demand picture in Asia

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### Trading Idea for the day

Natural gas trading range for the day is 278.5-296.5.

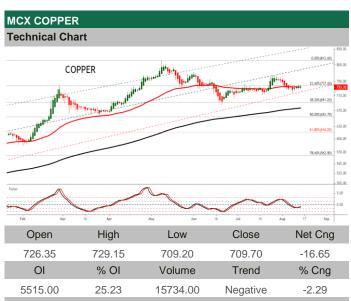
Natural gas fell as weather forecasts turned milder than before, potentially dimming demand for the fuel used to cool homes and businesses.

The amount of gas flowing to U.S. LNG export plants is expected to jump to 11 bcfd in the next two weeks.

Also this week EIA report will be smaller than the 5-year average due to widespread heat over the US this past week.







Copper yesterday settled down by -2.29% at 709.7 as pressure seen after the labour union at BHP Escondida Copper Mine accepted the new wage proposal to avoid a strike at the global largest copper mine, abating concerns over supply shortages of copper concentrate. But a strike at Codelco's Andina copper mine occurred on August 12, while Codelco failed to make progress in early negotiations between its El Teniente mine and five unions. On the macro front, Fed officers estimated that the Fed will begin to reduce bond purchase since this autumn. And a consensus was also reached that the tapering QE will commence in the following three months should the economy recovery sustains. Some Fed officials believe that the inflation rate will not surge for a long time, and will return to the 2% target. The labour market is expected to improve in light of the employment data two weeks ago. Domestic inventories remained low amid the impact from power restrictions in south China on smelters, sharp inventory declines in Guangdong and transportation issues across global ports due to the pandemic as well as the absence of continued influx of imported copper. Meanwhile, tight supply of copper scrap from Malaysia has boosted copper cathode consumption. Technically market is under fresh selling as market has witnessed gain in open interest by 25.23% to settled at 5515 while prices down -16.65 rupees, now Copper is getting support at 702.9 and below same could see a test of 696.1 levels, and resistance is now likely to be seen at 722.8, a move above could see prices testing 735.9.



#### **Fundamentals**

Zinc yesterday settled down by -0.64% at 248.6 as the significantly slowed down economic data in China triggered market concerns. Fed officials stated that they would consider supporting the implementation of the bond purchase reduction plan in September under the expectation of strong employment recovery, and plan to end bond purchases before mid-2022. On the fundamentals, NDRC announced that the approval process for projects with "high energy consumption and high pollution" will be suspended except for significant projects planned by the central government, and urged local governments to fulfill the targets of containing energy consumption increase and energy intensity. The news is likely to bring more uncertainties to power restriction policies and potentially trigger further decrease in supply. In addition, China's credit growth and social financial data in July announced were lower than expected, and data on industrial prosperity, total retail sales of consumer goods, and fixed asset investment growth in July have all declined. The global pandemic further intensified, but no measure such as blockades was taken, and the economic recovery was suppressed. The power curtailment has been loosened in Guangxi, Hunan, and Yunnan, but the affected output in August is still higher than expected. The output of zinc ingot is expected to be 494,400 mt in August, and the supply will remain tight. Technically market is under long liquidation as market has witnessed drop in open interest by -22.89% to settled at 1277 while prices down -1.6 rupees, now Zinc is getting support at 247.3 and below same could see a test of 246 levels, and resistance is now likely to be seen at 250.8, a move above could see prices testing 253.

### Trading Idea for the day

Copper trading range for the day is 696.1-735.9.

Copper prices dropped as pressure seen after the labour union at BHP Escondida Copper Mine accepted the new wage proposal to avoid a strike

Domestic inventories remained low amid the impact from power restrictions in south China on smelters

On the macro front, Fed officers estimated that the Fed will begin to reduce bond purchase since this autumn.

### Trading Idea for the day

Zinc trading range for the day is 246-253.

Zinc prices dropped as the significantly slowed down economic data in China triggered market concerns.

China's credit growth and social financial data in July announced were lower than expected

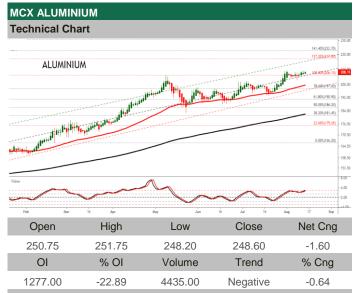
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Nickel yesterday settled down by -1.52% at 1461 after data from top metals consumer China disappointed investors and showed signs of increasing pressure on the world's second-biggest economy. Both factory output and retail sales in China rose more slowly than expected in July from a year ago, as export growth cooled and new COVID-19 outbreaks disrupted business. On the fundamentals, nickel ore prices remained high amid tightened supply of nickel sulphate and great demand from stainless steel and new energy sectors. U.S. homebuilder confidence in the market for single-family homes fell in August to its lowest reading in 13 months, driven by higher construction costs and supply shortages, a report released on Tuesday showed. The NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Market index declined 5 points to a reading of 75 this month, its lowest level since July 2020, from 80 in July. Production at U.S. factories surged in July, boosted by an acceleration in motor vehicle output as auto makers either pared or canceled annual retooling shutdowns to work around a global semiconductor shortage. Manufacturing output jumped 1.4% last month after falling 0.3% in June, the Federal Reserve said. Technically market is under long liquidation as market has witnessed drop in open interest by -6.39% to settled at 1435 while prices down -22.6 rupees, now Nickel is getting support at 1447.6 and below same could see a test of 1434.1 levels, and resistance is now likely to be seen at 1480.6, a move above could see prices testing 1500.1.



#### **Fundamentals**

Aluminium yesterday settled down by -0.34% at 207.45 on profit booking after prices rose supported by slow recovery in social inventories, mild increase in arrivals, intensified power restrictions in east Inner Mongolia. On the macro front, China economy faces greater downward pressure amid less-than-expected economic indexes in July. While on the fundamentals, domestic aluminium ingots are expected to maintain the mild re-stocking as previously delayed cargos will arrive in congestion after transportation was unblocked. Record aluminium prices in the United States and Europe will be sustained by Russia's mining tax for some months, but attempts to push prices even higher are likely to face headwinds from traders cashing in their stocks. Russia has imposed a 15% tax or a minimum of \$254 a tonne on aluminium exports between August and December. China's aluminium output in July slipped for a third month, official data showed, as continued power shortages in the south of the country kept smelter operating rates low. The world's top producer of the metal churned out 3.26 million tonnes of primary aluminium last month, the National Bureau of Statistics said. That was down from June's 3.29 million tonnes but up 7.4% year-on-year. U.S. business inventories increased strongly in June, though raw material shortages continue to frustrate efforts by motor vehicle retailers to restock. Technically market is under long liquidation as market has witnessed drop in open interest by -2.94% to settled at 1685 while prices down -0.7 rupees, now Aluminium is getting support at 206.3 and below same could see a test of 205.1 levels, and resistance is now likely to be seen at 209.6, a move above could see prices testing 211.7.

### Trading Idea for the day

Nickel trading range for the day is 1434.1-1500.1.

Nickel prices dropped after data from top metals consumer China disappointed investors

Both factory output and retail sales in China rose more slowly than expected in July from a year ago

Nickel ore prices remained high amid tightened supply of nickel sulphate and great demand from stainless steel and new energy sectors.

### Trading Idea for the day

Aluminium trading range for the day is 205.1-211.7.

Aluminium dropped on profit booking after prices rose supported by slow recovery in social inventories, intensified power restrictions.

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