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Advancing Sustainability in the Upstream Oil and Gas Industry: Waste Valorization, Emission Control, and Environmental Management

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