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contains some of the latest drafts of the Second Edition of the textbook *Exploring Black Holes: Introduction to General Relativity* by authors Edmund Bertschinger, Edwin F. Taylor, and John Archibald Wheeler, to be published by Pearson Addison Wesley of San Francisco, CA, USA.

We would very much appreciate your comments, criticisms, and suggestions. Please send these to Taylor at [eftaylor@mit.edu](mailto:eftaylor@mit.edu) Two requests and a warning:

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