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## Comment:

I have had the experience of wantingsoftware from companies that thave gone bankrupt - I can get a copy but no licence to use it (or I have one licence but want more!). There is no way to pay the creditors of the company as the winding up has been done - the costs of finding who to pay outwiegh the cost of the software (approx \$20) I rather have the option of making a statement as to the effect "have tried all reasonable routes to find who to pay, I am force to treat this work as public domai n"