



Chessie Racing: The Story of Maryland's Entry in the 1997-1998 Whitbread Round the World Race (Hardback)

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