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Prove that if $a, b, c \in (0, \infty)$; $abc = 1$ then:

$$be^a + ce^b + ae^c \geq \frac{15}{2}$$

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$$be^a + ce^b + ae^c \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} 3\sqrt[3]{abce^{a+b+c}} = 3\sqrt[3]{e^{a+b+c}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(be^a + ce^b + ae^c) &\geq \ln 3 + \frac{1}{3} \ln e^{a+b+c} \\ &= \ln 3 + \frac{a+b+c}{3} \stackrel{AM-GM}{\geq} \ln 3 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$be^a + ce^b + ae^c \geq e^{\ln 3 + 1} = e \cdot e^{\ln 3} = 3e > \frac{15}{2}$$