

Problem

XML parser error, because the type's content type is empty

Solution

Starting with the Java XML parser Xerces-J 2.6.2, which brings stricter enforcement of XML validation, XML elements with an empty content schema definition are no longer tolerated in the begin/end element syntax, e.g.

```
<MyElem myAttr="abc">  
</MyElem>
```

must be replaced with

```
<MyElem myAttr="abc"/>.
```

With the wrong XML, the parser will throw an exception:

```
XML parser error: Line=15, Column=20: cvc-complex-type.2.1: Element 'BulkDataReceiver' must have no  
character or element information item [children], because the type's content type is empty.
```

The referenced [W3C](#) schema spec is [here](#). See also: <http://www.herongyang.com/XML-Schema/complexType-Empty-Element-Declaration.html>

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