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Top DEP Stories

Erie Times: Up from the ground comes a bubbling gas: Feds giving PA \$400M to plug dangerous orphan wells

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