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Tony, I hope you will carefully make the decision regarding the ruling on whether the gas lines needs to be permitted. It seems like this is being overblown and waiting another seven months is a much bigger impact than just letting it be considered a gathering system like all other wells being drilled and connected. I don't think they ever should have applied for the permit, it should have just been done but that's another story. The distance should not matter, you're either a gathering line or not. The legislature started trying to assist getting these wells connected two-years ago. The locals, royalty, mineral, and operators have waited long enough. A wind farm less than 100 mw is not regulated, an ethanol plant, and the list goes on and on.

We hope you will agree it's a gathering system.

Thanks

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