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Top DEP Stories

Bradford Era: DEP awards \$2.9 million in clean diesel grants

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Climate Change

WESA: Coal and new gas power plants will have to meet climate pollution targets

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6 ABC: Take a look: Philadelphia School District's new electric buses

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