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Top DEP Stories

Citizens' Voice: Swoyersville residents concerned about impact of trucks hauling coal remnants
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<http://www.kallanishenergy.com/2018/12/05/adelphia-wants-to-build-2-compressor-stations-in-eastern-pa/>

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<https://www.centredaily.com/news/politics-government/national-politics/article222653585.html>

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