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Ridgway Record: Report on fracking unlikely to result in major reform (pg 1)

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Pittsburgh Business Times: Investors urge Pennsylvania DEP to expand methane-emissions rules

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Climate Change

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