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## **Top DEP Stories**

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Observer-Reporter: DEP assesses \$427K in civil penalty against EQM over pipeline problems

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Beaver County Times: Company resumes Revolution Pipeline construction in Center Twp.

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