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DOLE MEETS ON FARM FUEL

Friday

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Senator Bob Dole met ~~today~~ with Bill Simon, head of the Federal Energy Office and representatives of Farmland Industries to discuss measures to increase the allocation of fuel for farmers.

Dole recognized at the meeting the importance of Farmland Industries to farmers and farm cooperatives throughout Kansas and the Midwest and stressed the need to meet agricultural fuel requirements 100%. Ken Nielsen, Vice President of Farmland explained that without some relief the country's largest co-op supplier would be short 17.6 million gallons of gasoline and 13.7 million gallons of diesel fuel for farm and other uses in the month of February. Simon emphasized that agriculture would get 100% of current requirements off the top of available supplies of fuel and promised to start action of Farmland's fuel needs immediately.