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## NEW NATURAL GAS SOUGHT FOR WICHITA

WASHINGTON, D.C.--In response to predicted natural gas shortages for the Wichita area, Senator Bob Dole today discussed with the Federal Power Commission the need for approval of a proposed use of interstate gas pipe lines for transportation of newly-reported natural gas deposits within Kansas. One recently discovered gas field, located to the southwest of Wichita in Harper County and projected to supply 80-100 million cubic feet of high-grade natural gas per day, would help substantially to alleviate Wichita's estimated 7.5% shortage if the transportation requirements can be worked out.

City officials in Wichita are currently negotiating with Cities Service Gas Company officials to determine whether the existing Cities Service pipe line can be used for this purpose.

This pipe line, currently serving the Wichita area, passes within one mile of the newly-reported field. Senator Bob Dole today expressed the hope that, if the company agrees to the proposed additional use for the pipe line, the FPC will act promptly to authorize such use.

"The gas is available in Kansas," said Dole, "and Kansans who face a shortage, as in the Wichita area, ought to be able to make use of it."



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