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# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## FUEL FOR FARMLAND MADE AVAILABLE BY FEO

TOPEKA, KS. --Senator Bob Dole was informed today by officials of the Federal Energy Office that a plan to provide Farmland Industries with an additional allocation of fuel for the month of February has been decided upon and that orders putting this plan into effect have gone out to the respective suppliers.

Senator Dole stated that, "In view of the large number of Kansas farmers supplied by Farmland Industries as well as their important fuel requirements for transportation and needed public and business services, which rely on Farmland, I am especially pleased to see this."

The Federal Energy Office indicated that the plan calls for 100% of the agricultural requirements and 80% of the other requirements of Farmland Industries to be met. The plan, which has already been put partially into effect, will include the reassignment of some of Farmland's non-priority customers to other suppliers, as well as the allocation of additional fuel to Farmland. In Region VII, which includes Kansas, Farmland's shortfall was approximately 10 1/2 million gallons of gas and 6.1 million gallons of middle distillates. FEO officials indicate that almost 1/2 of this total has already been accounted for, the rest to be covered by the plan being implemented today. The plan is being coordinated through officials of four FEO regional offices covering the areas where Farmland does business. It is expected that it will take about 10 days after orders are made to get the fuel delivered to Farmland. In the meantime, Farmland is authorized to purchase needed supplies from companies reporting an excess.