The Center Square: Exxon wins a round in Louisiana carbon pipeline dispute

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Eric Smith, professor of practice and associate director of the Tulane Energy Institute, was interviewed by The Center Square about Exxon's victory in an anti-competitive behavior case involving its carbon pipeline subsidiary Denbury.

> "Exxon is essentially thinking like a regulated utility, operating on the stance that they bought the network, paid a heavy premium for it, and have an internal use for it," said Dr. Eric Smith, associate director of the Tulane Energy Institute. "Their message to independent developers is that while they cannot outright refuse access, the entry price is going to be steep," Smith told The Center Square.

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