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What is hydrofracking, and why do we care?



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What are some of the benefits and risks of hydrofracking?



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How is hydrofracking regulated?



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What does the legal landscape look like with respect to hydrofracking?



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Can any trends be discerned from the lawsuits filed to date?



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Have any courts considered insurance coverage issues arising from hydrofracking?



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What are some of the key issues regarding rail vs pipeline transport?



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What issues are (or should be) of most concern to (re)insurers?



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What does the future hold for hydrofracking?



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So - to insure, or not to insure?



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