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it's a UtiliCorp town and it's coming closer to Omaha and Omaha's getting closer to it. And as they approach each other one company's building gas lines this way and the other company's building gas lines coming in the opposite direction. Right now, how is that resolved?

SENATOR BRUNING: Typically, the cities will have a great deal of say in that, the city councils, and, in fact, that's part of what the court case was about, is LaVista wanted more say and Senator Thompson in fact had a bill that would have solidified cities' rights to have that say. So it's not an absolute one way or the other at this point. It depends on the existing pipe, and much of this area, the vast majority of this area, already is piped.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, but there's no mechanism in statute to resolve the conflict right now, is that accurate, other than going to court over some...some indirect rules about how you...how you're allowed to expand?

SENATOR BRUNING: That's correct, there's no mechanism.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, so you're putting the Public Service Commission in place to resolve these sorts of conflicts...

SENATOR BRUNING: That's correct.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...in part.

SENATOR BRUNING: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. With respect...with respect to a UtiliCorp-owned property or MUD for that matter, but just taking UtiliCorp controlling a franchise with a particular city right now, in that instance,...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...under the law that you're putting in place, UtiliCorp would be...it would be presumed to be in the public interest that UtiliCorp could expand out from that...from that city base. Is that right?