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EIA FIRES BACK AT NATURE STORY: The Energy Information Administration is calling out the journal Nature over a news piece and editorial earlier this month that the agency calls "an imagined 'battle of forecasts' of shale gas production" based on data from EIA and the Bureau of Economic Geology at the University of Texas at Austin. In a letter, EIA concedes Nature made some accurate points, but said the article "badly misconstrues the actual relationship between EIA and BEG/UT research efforts" and presents "a very misleading view of this very important subject matter." EIA's litany of complaints range from oversimplification of the issue to the piece's "sensational" title. The Nature article in question: <u>http://bit.ly/1vRdNd5</u> . EIA's letter: <u>http://lusa.gov/1qTrdVM</u> . BEG/UT also wrote its own letter objecting to the piece: <u>http://bit.ly/12Y14MU</u> . And the industry-backed Energy in Depth notes that it wrote up criticisms of the piece earlier this month: <u>http://bit.ly/1G0xna0</u>