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Thermal energy networks sound suspiciously like a new buzzword for ground source heat pumps, which are an established technology that does not need a pilot project to demonstrate. I do believe Oregon already has a TEN in Klamath Falls however its usually called a direct use geothermal system. Why are we forcing a utility, especially a gas company that is not likley to have expertise in this area, to pursue a pilot project for an established technology?