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Echols: Facility is impressive

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District 2 Public Service Commission Commissioner Tim Echols spent a rain-soaked Friday morning Academy in Monroe, calling it a great benefit to the state.

The 4.5-acre facility provides educational opportunities through classroom training as well as hands-on areas and Echols said he will champion the facility which opened last year as a vital resource for utility work).

"I couldn't be more excited the academy is up and running, training employees around the state and I newly elected commissioner said. "The great thing about this facility the city of Monroe built is it sim

training facility of its kind in Georgia. It will serve 82 municipal gas systems in the state, providing c training, city officials said.

"I was just telling (Monroe officials) that this is beyond the job description of any to other city," Ech demonstrates great leadership. I commended them. It's not just benefiting the city of Monroe, it's bei

Echols had more praise for Monroe and its training site, located on Highway 83.

"If more cities took this type of leadership in whatever area, I think people will be so much better off

The Monroe visit was another stop in Echol's tour of the state, during which he is also promoting the utility crews to dial 811 before digging.