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The above sentence uses *such as* to provide *examples*, and is a valid construct.

As is evident from the above example, *such as* can be *split* and is still a valid usage. So, *both* the following sentences would be correct:

- i. *The price of such essential energy sources as gasoline and other commodities remains steep, despite world oil production climbing to 88.8 million barrels per day.*
- ii. *The price of essential energy sources such as gasoline and other commodities remains steep, despite world oil production climbing to 88.8 million barrels per day.*