

October 22, 2018

Decision 23952-D01-2018

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. 7210 42 Street N.W. Edmonton, Alta. T6B 3H1

Attention: Alex Burnside, P.Eng.

Project Engineer, Pipelines Engineering

Pipeline in the Canmore Area Licence 1950 Proceeding 23952 Application 23952-A001

Record amendment application

- 1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (ATCO), by Application 23952-A001 registered on October 2, 2018, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission under Section 12 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* for the following:
 - length amendment of line 135 from 0.01 kilometres to 0.02 kilometres
 - length amendment of line 138 from 0.57 kilometres to 0.41 kilometres
 - length amendment of line 158 from 0.27 kilometres to 0.42 kilometres
 - status amendment of line 139 from abandoned to removed
 - mapping amendment of lines 135, 138 and 158
- 2. The proposed amendments are related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 1950.
- 3. In Decision DA2014-33,¹ the Commission approved an application from ATCO for the abandonment of 5,420 metres of the original 168.3-millimetre outer diameter Banff Transmission Pipeline. ATCO subsequently removed 3,610 metres of the abandoned pipeline that was located within the Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR) right-of-way in accordance with the original easement agreement between CPR and ATCO. During the pipeline removal construction, changes to the original plan were required during site assessments, either because, in one case, the pipeline removal could be completed safely across a foreign utility, and in other cases, foreign utilities became a safety hazard to the removal operation. Upon review of the

Decision DA2014-33, ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) – Amendment to Abandon Pipeline, Proceeding 3069, Application 1610308, February 14, 2014.

as-built drawings and other pipeline removal records, ATCO determined that the licence did not reflect the correct length and status values.

- 4. Consultation with landowners and occupants for this work was completed in 2014 in accordance with Rule 020: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines* as stated in Decision DA2014-216.² Confirmation of non-objection by directly and/or adversely affected landowners and occupants was obtained at that time.
- 5. ATCO provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the pipeline record amendment. Since the record amendment does not involve a ground disturbance, there will be no environmental impact.
- 6. Based upon the information provided, the Commission is satisfied that the proposal is of a minor nature, no person will be directly and adversely affected by the proposal, and no significant adverse environmental impact will be caused by the proposed record amendment.
- 7. The Commission approves the application. The amended licence is attached.

Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

Brian Shand, P.Eng.
Director, Gas Facilities
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

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Decision DA2014-216: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) – Pipeline Split and Removal, Proceeding 3411, Application 1610843, September 26, 2014.