Decision 24263-D01-2019



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Attention: Dalton Schwab, EIT Project Engineer, Pipelines Engineering

Pipeline Abandonment in the City of Calgary Licence 1952 Proceeding 24263 Application 24263-A001

Record amendment application

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (ATCO), by Application 24263-A001 registered on January 22, 2019, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission under Section 12 of the *Pipeline Act*, and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act*, to amend the pipe status of line 34 from operating to abandoned. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 1952.

2. ATCO stated that it completed the abandonment of the 88.9-millimetre Elbow Valley Transmission Pipeline in December 2018, and therefore is within the 90-day notification window allowed by the AUC. The total length of the abandonment was 0.32 kilometres.

3. ATCO stated that consultation with landowners and occupants for this work was completed in accordance with AUC Rule 020: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines*. Confirmation of non-objection from directly and adversely affected landowners and occupants was obtained for this project.

4. ATCO stated that all liquids contained in the pipe were captured and disposed of prior to the abandonment activities.

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.

Calgary Edmonton 1400, 600 Third Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta T2P 0G5 Tenth Floor, 10055 106 Street, Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2Y2 310-4AUC (in Alberta) 1-833-511-4AUC (outside Alberta) 7. The Commission approves the application. In approving the application, however, the Commission makes no determination regarding the regulatory treatment of the costs of the assets to be removed, retired or abandoned pursuant to the application, the costs incurred in carrying out these activities, or the associated rate implications. 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

Attachment