

March 13, 2015

**Decision 20196-D01-2015**

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**Drader Lateral Pipeline Relocation Project in Edmonton  
Licence 3295  
Proceeding 20196  
Application 20196-A001**

**Minor pipeline project application**

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 20196-A001 registered on February 25, 2015, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission under Section 11 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* for the following in the city of Edmonton:

- splitting Line 6 into lines 6, 24 and 25
- removal of Line 24
- lines 6 and 25 to remain in place as operating
- addition of newly constructed pipeline (Line 26 – 0.22 kilometres of 60.3-millimetre outside-diameter pipeline)
- mapping amendment of Line 6

2. The proposed work is related to the minor replacement of pipe previously constructed and operated in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 3295.

3. ATCO stated that the proposed pipeline construction, split and removal is required to accommodate the construction of Northeast Edmonton Anthony Henday Drive (NEAHD) located between Wye Road and Whitemud Drive. A segment of the existing 60.3-millimetre Drader lateral pipeline is currently in conflict with the proposed road plans and must be relocated deeper and at a 20-metre offset from the current alignment as determined by the joint venture (Flatiron-Dragados-Aecon-Lafarge). The existing pipeline would be removed. The cost of the work would be fully reimbursed by the joint venture that is the P3 proponent for NEAHD.

4. ATCO stated that this project does not require a historical resources impact assessment since it is a Class II pipeline and the proposed work area is not referenced in the latest edition of Alberta Culture's listing of historic resources.

5. ATCO has prepared a pre-construction site assessment and environmental protection plan<sup>1</sup> for this project. All recommendations included in the environmental protection plan would be implemented by ATCO. Any liquids contained in the pipe would be captured and disposed of prior to the removal activity. There are no watercourse crossings that would be affected by the installation and removal activities.
6. ATCO stated that consultation with landowners and occupants was completed in accordance with Rule 020 – *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines*. The pipeline installation would be entirely contained within the City of Edmonton-owned road allowance. ATCO has received a utility line assignment permit<sup>2</sup> issued by the City of Edmonton. Alberta Infrastructure has indicated that ministerial consent and right-of-entry are not required for this project. ATCO has also received a permit from Alberta Transportation<sup>3</sup> for the proposed scope of work.
7. ATCO stated that in order to meet the joint venture's timelines for the construction of the NEAHD interchange at this location, the installation and removal operations are proposed to commence in May 2015.
8. ATCO has provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the project. Since the project involves minimal ground disturbance, the resultant environmental impact of the work has been assessed with no significant impact identified. The landowners and occupants of the affected lands did not object to the project.
9. Based upon the information provided, ATCO has demonstrated that the proposal is of a minor nature, no person other than the landowners and occupants of the land upon which the project takes place will likely be directly affected by the proposal, and no significant adverse environmental impact will be caused by the proposed project.
10. 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

Attachment

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<sup>1</sup> Exhibit 20196-X0006, Environmental Protection Plan.  
<sup>2</sup> Exhibit 20196-X0004, Utility Line Assignment Permit.  
<sup>3</sup> Exhibit 20196-X0015, Alberta Transportation Permit.