

April 15, 2015

**Decision 20339-D01-2015** 

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) 7210 – 42 Street N.W. Edmonton, Alberta T6B 3H1

Attention: Michelle Agar, P. Eng.

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Record Amendment for Northwest Edmonton Connector Pipeline Project Licence 1670 Proceeding 20339 Application 20339-A001

## **Record amendment application**

- 1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 20339-A001 registered on April 10, 2015, 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 add an unlicenced section of abandoned pipeline to Licence 1670 as Line 32 in the city of Edmonton. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 1670.
- 2. ATCO stated that in 2011/2012 it completed the installation of 16.22 kilometres of 508.0-millimetre outside-diameter pipe as part of the Northwest Edmonton Connector Pipeline Project under Application 1607680, Proceeding 1452. During the horizontal directional drilling of St. Albert Trail, the pipeline became stuck while the pullback of the carrier pipe was in progress. Since all efforts made to remove the pipeline were unsuccessful, the pipeline was capped and marked with pipeline warning signs. The crossing was re-drilled and was successful.
- 3. In its submission, ATCO stated that the pipeline (Line 32) was abandoned in accordance with AUC requirements.
- 4. 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.
- 5. Based upon the information provided, ATCO has demonstrated that the proposal is of a minor nature, no other person will be directly affected by the proposal and no adverse environmental impact will be caused by the proposed record amendment.

6. 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