

April 9, 2015

Decision 20309-D01-2015

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Attention: Patrick Bain, P. Eng.

Senior Engineer, Major Projects

Pipeline Abandonment on the Banff Transmission Pipeline Licence 1950 Proceeding 20309 Application 20309-A001

Minor pipeline project application

- 1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 20309-A001 registered on March 27, 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 Township 25, Range 8, west of the Fifth Meridian:
 - abandonment of lines 143 and 145
 - length amendment of Line 143 from 0.03 kilometres to 0.04 kilometres
 - length amendment of Line 144 from 0.02 kilometres to 0.01 kilometres
- 2. The proposed work is related to the minor abandonment of existing pipe, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 1950.
- 3. ATCO stated that it received approval for the Seebe bridge pipeline replacement project under Decision DA2014-254. As a part of this project, the abandonment of lines 143 and 145 was completed on January 6, 2015, in accordance with AUC Rule 20: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines* and the Alberta pipeline regulations. It was determined at the time of the abandonment that length amendments are required on lines 143 and 144.
- 4. ATCO has provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the project. Since the project involves no significant ground disturbance and is within the original right-of-way, the resultant environmental impact of the work has been assessed with no

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significant impact identified. The landowner and occupants of the affected lands did not object to the project.

- 5. Based upon the information provided, ATCO has demonstrated that the proposal is of a minor nature, no person other than the landowner 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.
- 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