

October 7, 2015

Decision 20883-D01-2015

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)
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Attention: Dean Millis, P. Eng.
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**Pipeline Abandonment near High River
Licence 2027
Proceeding 20883
Application 20883-A001**

Minor pipeline project application

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 20883-A001 registered on September 29, 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* to abandon lines 154 and 156. The proposed work is related to the minor abandonment of existing pipe, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 2027.
2. In Decision [2014-273](#),¹ the Commission approved a line split to accommodate the replacement of an exposed pipeline crossing the Highwood River and the associated abandonment of lines 154 and 156 of Licence 2027.
3. In its submission, ATCO stated that the abandonment was completed in accordance with AUC requirements.
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 significant impact identified. The landowners 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 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.

¹ Decision 2014-273: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) – Highwood River Pipeline Replacement, Licence 2027, Proceeding 3174, Application 1610472, September 23, 2014.

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