

October 26, 2015

Decision 20904-D01-2015

AltaGas Utilities Inc.
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Attention: Jayne Blinzer, P. Eng.
Design Engineer

**New Construction near Ashmont
Licence 2843
Proceeding 20904
Application 20904-A001**

Minor pipeline project application

1. AltaGas Utilities Inc. (AltaGas), by Application 20904-A001 registered on October 13, 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 addition of a proposed pipeline (Line 84 – 0.01 kilometres of 60.3-millimetre (mm) outside diameter pipeline) near Ashmont.
2. AltaGas proposed to remove a high pressure regulating station that is no longer required and replace it with 10 metres of 60.3-mm pipe, Line 84, on the existing station site. AltaGas would also install a new distribution pressure regulating station on the existing station site.
3. AltaGas submitted a noise impact summary form as part of its application and stated that the predicted noise levels associated with the pressure regulating station would be in compliance with the permissible sound level in Rule 012: *Noise Control*.
4. AltaGas stated that there are no environmentally significant areas or historic sites in or near the project area that would be affected.
5. AltaGas stated that the new pipe would be installed using the open trench technique. For all excavations the topsoil would be stripped away and all soils would be separated into topsoil and subsoil, as necessary, and stored appropriately to prevent co-mingling of the soil types. In the backfill phase, the stored topsoil and subsoil would be returned to their original layers.
6. AltaGas 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.

7. Based upon the information provided, AltaGas 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.

8. The Commission approves the application. The amended licence is attached.

Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

Wade Vienneau
Executive Director, Facilities Division
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment