

December 1, 2015

Decision 21048-D01-2015

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Attention: Curtis Meunier, EIT
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Pipeline Near Bragg Creek
Licence 14058
Proceeding 21048
Application 21048-A001

Record amendment application

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 21048-A001 registered on November 20, 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* for the following near Bragg Creek:

- reinstatement of Line 20, previously approved to be removed, as abandoned
- splitting of Line 23 into lines 23 and 24
- reinstatement of new Line 23, previously approved to be removed, as abandoned

2. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 14058.

3. ATCO stated that it was granted approval in Decision 20281-01-2015¹ to remove approximately 10 metres of the 60.3-millimetre Bragg Creek West Branch pipeline, Line 20, to provide space for a horizontal directional drill to complete a river crossing replacement. ATCO was able to install the new crossing without the removal of Line 20 and has requested that the status of Line 20 be amended from “removed” to “abandoned in place” in order to reflect the current status of Line 20.

4. ATCO also stated that it was granted approval in Decision 20629-01-2015² to remove 100 metres of the 60.3-millimetre Bragg Creek West Branch pipeline, Line 23. However, ATCO was not able to mobilize the equipment required to complete the full scope of work outside of the

¹ Decision 20281-01-2015: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) - Elbow River Pipeline Replacement near Bragg Creek, Proceeding 20281, Application 20281-A001, April 15, 2015.

² Decision 20269-01-2015: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) - Split and Removal of an Abandoned Pipeline in the Elbow River, Proceeding 20629, Application 20629-A001, July 23, 2015.

restricted activity period (RAP) for the Elbow River since the work would have conflicted with Rockyview County's proposed road work. In order to remove the risk to recreational users of the Elbow River, ATCO removed the exposed portion of the pipeline, Line 24. ATCO plans to remove the remaining shallow portion of Line 23 in 2016, outside of the RAP, under a subsequent application.

5. 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.

6. 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.

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

Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

Brian Shand, P. Eng.
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On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment