

December 23, 2015

Disposition 21198-D01-2015

AltaGas Utilities Inc. 5509 - 45 Street Leduc, Alberta T9E 6T6

Attention: Jennifer Coleman, CMA

Senior Regulatory Specialist

AltaGas Utilities Inc. **Third-Party Transportation Rate – January 2016 Proceeding 21198** 

- 1. AltaGas Utilities Inc. submitted its monthly filing on Decemer 21, 2015, to the Alberta Utilities Commission for its proposed third-party transportation rate (TPTR) for the month of January 2016. The proposed TPTR was \$0.246 per gigajoule (GJ).
- 2. The AUC has reviewed the filing and considers that the proposed TPTR was determined in accordance with the method approved in Decision 2007-079, as issued by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board, predecessor to the AUC. Consequently, the AUC acknowledges for AltaGas the TPTR of \$0.246/GJ, which, as set out in Rate Rider G, is to be applied to the energy delivered to default supply and retail supply distribution service customers during the month of January 2016.
- 3. Upstream transportation costs that are currently recovered through the TPTR were previously recovered through AltaGas' gas cost recovery rate (GCRR). Therefore, the Commission considers that, similar to the direction provided to gas utilities for GCRR applications in Decision 2001-75,<sup>2</sup> interested parties shall be provided with a 30-day review period following the filing of each monthly TPTR in which to raise any concerns with the determination of the TPTR.

(original signed by)

Derrick Ploof Director, Retail Energy and Water On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Decision 2007-079: AltaGas Utilities Inc., 2005/2006 General Rate Application Phase II, Application 1491262-1, October 16, 2007, and Decision 2007-079 (Addendum) – Addendum to 2005/2006 General Rate Application Phase II Request for Clarification, Application 1556666-1, February 12, 2008.

Decision 2001-75: Methodology for Managing Gas Supply Portfolios and Determining Gas Cost Recovery Rates (Methodology) Proceeding and Gas Rate Unbundling (Unbundling) Proceeding, Part A: GCRR Methodology and Gas Rate Unbundling, Applications 2001040 and 2001093, Files 5680-1 and 5680-2, October 30, 2001.