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Decision 21245-D01-2016

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**Amendments for Fort McMurray Transmission Pipeline
Licence 6733
Proceeding 21245
Application 21245-A001**

Record amendment application

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 21245-A001 registered on January 8, 2016, 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 in the Fort McMurray area:

- addition of unlicensed abandoned pipeline [Line 14 – 0.22 kilometres (km) of 168.3-millimetre (mm) outside-diameter (OD) pipeline]
- mapping amendment of lines 3, 7, 12 and 13
- length amendment of Line 7 from 0.86 km to the revised length of 0.21 km
- length amendment of Line 12 from 0.04 km to the revised length of 0.22 km
- ‘From Location’ and ‘To Location’ LSD amendment of Line 7
- status amendment of Line 3 from operating to abandoned
- ‘From’ and ‘To’ facility code amendment of Line 3 from PL to BE

2. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 6733.

3. ATCO stated that the original 168.3-mm Fort McMurray transmission pipeline was installed in 1968. Due to slope instability, small segments of the pipeline were relocated in 1970 and 1979. In 2008, a new 168.3-mm pipeline, Line 13, was installed to replace a large segment of the original Fort McMurray transmission pipeline.

4. ATCO stated that, upon review of its records, it determined that an application was submitted for a line split, abandonment and installation in 1970; however, the abandoned line does not appear on the licence. ATCO has applied to add Line 14 to reflect the abandonment.

5. ATCO also stated that additional licencing errors were discovered during a review of records for lines 3, 7, 12 and 13. In order to correct these errors, ATCO proposed to make the above-listed amendments to Licence 6733.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. The Commission approves the application. The amended licence is attached.

Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

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On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment