

January 28, 2016

Decision 21254-D01-2016

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)
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Attention: Alex Burnside, E.I.T.
Project Engineer, Pipelines Engineering

Pipeline in the City of Edmonton
Licence 7231
Proceeding 21254
Application 21254-A001

Record amendment application

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 21254-A001 registered on January 13, 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 city of Edmonton:

- splitting Line 32 into lines 32 and 34
- pipe status amendment of lines 30 and 34 from abandoned to removed
- mapping amendment of original Line 32

2. The proposed work is related to the minor split and removal of abandoned pipelines, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 7231.

3. ATCO stated that it received approval from the AUC to split Line 7 into lines 7, 30 and 31 and split Line 27 into lines 27, 32 and 33 under Proceeding 3173, Decision DA2014-106.¹ Lines 30 and 32 were to be abandoned. Lines 5, 7, 27, 31 and 33 were to be removed. The removal took place at different times during the construction period under ATCO supervision. ATCO also stated that lines 30 and 32 were licenced as abandoned under Proceeding 3446, Decision DA2014-230,² with the expectation that an application would be filed for removal at a later date. Removal of Line 30 had to wait for the 127th Street closure and removal of Line 32 could not take place until additional landowner approvals were obtained.

¹ Decision DA2014-106: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) – Pipeline Split and Removal, Proceeding 3173, Application 1610476, April 28, 2014.

² Decision DA2014-230: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) – Pipeline Abandonment, Proceeding 3446, Application 1610888, October 15, 2014.

4. ATCO stated that during the removal activities of lines 5, 7, 27, 31, and 33, the developer was able to secure approvals to close 127th Street to complete road upgrading and widening activities. At that time Line 30 was removed since it could be completed without impacting 127th Street at a later date. The developer had planned to leave Line 32 abandoned in place, as an additional land agreement had not been secured east of 127th Street. However, during the course of construction activities it was determined that approximately 140 metres of Line 32 was outside of the landowner's property east of 127th Street and within the new 41st Avenue road allowance. This portion, Line 34, was also removed during road construction so that the removal would not impact 41st Avenue at a later date.
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.
Director, Gas Facilities
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment