

**DA2013-36**

February 6, 2013

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)  
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Edmonton, Alberta T6B 3H1

Attention: Jo-Anne Van Sickle  
Pipelines Engineering Clerk

**Amendment to Abandon Pipeline to Accommodate Proposed Improvements by  
Lefarge Canada Inc.  
Permit and Licence No. 1950  
Application No. 1609255  
Proceeding ID No. 2405**

### **Minor pipeline project application**

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1609255 registered on February 1, 2013, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or the Commission) under Section 11 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* for the abandonment of lines 125 and 127 in Township 24, Range 9, west of the Fifth Meridian. The proposed work is related to the minor abandonment of existing pipeline, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Permit and Licence No. 1950.

ATCO stated that in 2012, Lafarge Canada Inc. requested removal and abandonment of portions of ATCO's 114.3 millimetre pipeline on their plant premises to accommodate proposed improvements. ATCO received approval from the AUC to split line 108 into lines 108, 125, 126, 127 and 128 in [DA2012-293](#).<sup>1</sup> Lines 108, 126 and 128 were to be removed, and lines 125 and 127 were to be abandoned in place under a separate application. The abandonment of lines 125 and 127 was completed on December 3, 2012. This application for abandonment is within the 90 days allowed by the AUC.

In its submission, ATCO also stated that the pipelines were abandoned in accordance with AUC requirements, all associated surface facilities would be removed and the surface sites would be reclaimed within one year.

ATCO 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 landowner and occupant of the affected lands did not object to the project.

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<sup>1</sup> DA2012-293: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) – Pipeline Split and Removal to Accommodate Lafarge Canada Plant Improvements, Application No. 1608908, Proceeding ID No. 2186, October 22, 2012.

Based upon the information provided, ATCO has demonstrated that the proposal is of a minor nature, no person other than the landowner and occupant 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.

The Commission approves the application. The amended permit and licence is attached.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Shand". The signature is written in a cursive style with some loops and flourishes.

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

Attachment