

## Gas – Miscellaneous Rates Order U2008-349

MADE at the City of Calgary, in the Province of Alberta, on 18th day of November 2008.	ALBERTA UTILITIES COMMISSION
ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. ATCO Gas Terms and Conditions of Service – Schedule C	Application No. 1593155

### 1 BACKGROUND

On October 31, 2008, the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or the Commission) received an application from ATCO Gas (AG) notifying the Commission of changes to AG's Terms and Conditions of Service – Schedule C. In addition, AG advised the Commission that "Schedule C Charges and Rural Pool Connection Charges implemented January 1, 2009 will be reviewed and updated as necessary in the 2008-2009 GRA Phase II Application."

### 2 DETAILS OF THE APPLICATION

Decision 2006-075<sup>2</sup> approved "...a three-year phased-in adjustment to the Residential Reinstatement Charge (Outside Normal Business Hours) with a proposed fee of \$125 beginning on January 1, 2007, \$150 beginning in January 1, 2008 and \$170 on January 1, 2009."<sup>3</sup>

Decision 2006-075 also approved "...the continuation of the "three times net revenue" methodology as included in Schedule C." for the calculation of the Rural Pool Connection Charge and the Urban Pool Connection Charge. <sup>4</sup>

### 3 VIEWS OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission finds that the increase in the Residential Reinstatement Charge (Outside of Normal Business Hours) from \$150 to \$170 effective January 1, 2009, is as approved in Decision 2006-075.

The Commission finds that the increase in the Rural Pool Connection Charge from \$4,400/customer to \$5,000/customer and the increase in the Urban Pool Connection Charge from \$1,180/customer to \$1,320/customer effective January 1, 2009 are both in accordance with

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Application Letter dated October 31, 2008, page 2

Decision 2006-075 – ATCO Gas 2003-2004 General Rate Application Phase II Part 2 Terms and Conditions of Service (Application 1416346) (Released: July 27, 2006)

Decision 2006-075, page 12

Decision 2006-075, page 14

Decision 2006-075 reflecting "three times the net revenue." This update requires no change to Schedule C of the Terms and Conditions of Service.

The Commission approves the change to Schedule C, effective January 1, 2009.

The Commission agrees to AG's proposal that Schedule C Charges and Rural Pool Connection Charges implemented January 1, 2009 should be reviewed and updated as necessary in the 2008-2009 General Rate Application Phase II Application.

### 4 ORDER

### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

(1) Schedule C, as set out in Appendix 1 attached to and forming part of this Order, is hereby fixed and approved as the rate to be applied to the Residential Reinstatement Charge (Outside Normal Business Hours), effective January 1, 2009.

Attachment

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## APPENDIX 1 – ATCO GAS TERMS AND CONDITIONS – SCHEDULE C



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### SCHEDULE C NON DISCRETIONARY CHARGES Effective January 1, 2009

#### 1. REINSTATEMENT CHARGE:

- a. Residential (not before 8am of the next business day) \$65.00
- b. Residential (before 8am of the next business day) \$170.00
- c. Non-Residential (not before 8am of the next business day) Contract Price (minimum \$65.00)
- d. Non-Residential- (before 8am of the next business day) Contract Price (minimum \$170.00)
- 2. SPECIAL METER READ FEE: \$35.00
- 3. METER HANDLING FEE:
  - a. Residential \$60.00
  - b. Non-Residential Contract Price (minimum \$60.00)
  - c. Customer Usage Information Fee will apply as required.
- 4. DISHONOURED CHEQUES: \$20.00
- 5. CUSTOMER USAGE INFORMATION: Contract Price
- 6. PROVISON OF CUSTOMER INFORMATION TO THE COMPANY: Contract Price
- 7. BILLING ERROR: Contract Price

# SCHEDULE C CHARGES FOR SERVICE LINES AND METER RELOCATIONS

- **1. SERVICE LINES:** Applicable to all services except those eligible for grants under the Rural Gas Act.
  - **1.1 Basic Charge:** A basic charge of \$100.00 will be levied for each point of delivery.
  - 1.2 Pipe Installation:

ATCO Gas (North)			
Service Line Diameter	Summer	Winter	
15.9 mm or 26 mm (up to and including 15 metres)	\$340	\$590	
Linear charge for length over 15 metres	\$28/metre	\$50/metre	
42.2 mm or 60.3 mm (up to 15 metres)	\$510	\$860	
Linear charge for length over 15 metres	\$43/metre	\$72/metre	
Greater than 60 mm	Contract Price	Contract Price	
Credit for provision of service line trench in 4-party installation	\$40	\$200	

### Note:

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- 2. The customer will be charged for the Primary Service line from the property line to the Gas Meter location when the main is located outside the customer's property.
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- 1.3 Pavement and Concrete Breaks: Contract Price. Applicant responsible for settlement and permanent repair.
- 1.4 Crossings: Including highway, railroad, road, pipeline, canal Contract Price
- **1.5 Compaction:** Contract Price
- 1.6 Shallow Utility Crossings: Contract Price
- 1.7 Waste Removal: Contract Price
- **2. COMPANY RURAL INVESTMENT:** "three times net revenue"
- 3. METER RELOCATIONS
  - **3.1 Single Family Dwelling:** Inside to outside No direct ATCO Gas charges if viewed as required by ATCO Gas. Customer may be responsible for permitting fees and site clean up. All other moves at Contract Price.
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- 4. INSTALLATION OF AUTOMATIC METER READING OR REMOTE METER READING DEVICE \$150.00
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