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March 5, 2013

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)
7210 – 42 Street N.W.
Edmonton, Alberta T6B 3H1Attention: Jo-Anne Van Sickle
Pipelines Engineering Clerk**Amendment to Permit and Licence No. 9464**
Application No. 1609342
Proceeding ID No. 2463**Record amendment application**

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1609342 registered on February 27, 2013, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or the Commission) under Section 12 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* to reinstate Line 2 as abandoned in LSD 8, Section 19, Township 52, Range 23, west of the Fourth Meridian. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Permit and Licence No. 9464.

ATCO stated that in 2011, The Rig Shop Ltd. requested the removal of 50 metres of ATCO's 60.3 millimetre below ground pipeline lateral, Line 2 of Permit and Licence No. 9464, and the above ground high pressure riser as it was located in their busy industrial yard and was at risk of being struck. ATCO received approval from the AUC to remove this line on April 20, 2011, in Decision [2011-164](#).¹ Once construction crews were on-site, it was determined by The Rig Shop Ltd. and ATCO that in order to minimize the disruption of ongoing business, removal of the below ground lateral would not be required and simply removing the above ground high pressure riser would suffice. ATCO stated that the pipeline was abandoned in accordance with AUC requirements, all associated surface facilities would be removed and the surface sites would be reclaimed within one year. Therefore, Line 2, of Permit and Licence No. 9464, was abandoned in place and is now required to be reinstated.

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.

¹ Decision 2011-164: ATCO Gas and pipelines Ltd. (South) Pipeline Removal – Township 52, Range 23, west of the Fourth Meridian, Application No. 1607095, Proceeding ID No. 1118, April 20, 2011.

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.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Popowich". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Don Popowich, P. Eng.
Director, Electric Facilities
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment