

**DA2013-81**

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ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)  
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Attention: Jo-Anne Van Sickle  
Pipelines Engineering Clerk

**Amendment to allow for the construction of a brine pond**  
**Permit and Licence No. 52**  
**Application No. 1609402**  
**Proceeding ID No. 2507**

### **Minor pipeline project application**

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1609402 registered on March 19, 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 following in Township 55, Range 22 west of the Fourth Meridian:

- Removal of Line 27.
- Length amendment of Line 27.

The proposed work is related to the minor removal of existing pipe, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 52.

ATCO stated that it is allowing Plains Midstream to remove 450 metres of ATCO's abandoned 168.3 millimetre Bittern Lake Redwater Transmission pipeline from LSD 16-14-55-22-W4M to LSD 9-14-55-22-W4M. Plains Midstream requires the pipeline to be removed in order to construct a brine pond. ATCO Pipelines will be monitoring the removal of the abandoned pipeline to ensure the removal is completed to ATCO's standards. There are no water course crossings that will be affected by the removal activities. Any liquids contained in the pipe will be captured and disposed of prior to the removal activity. Plains Midstream will be responsible for 100 per cent of ATCO's costs for monitoring the removal.

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 landowners and occupants of the affected lands did not object to the project.

Based upon the information provided, ATCO has demonstrated that the proposal is of a minor nature, no person other than the landowners and occupants 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 stylized and somewhat cursive.

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

Attachment