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ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)
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Attention: Patrick Bain, E.I.T
Project Leader, Pipelines Engineering

Pipeline Removal
Permit and Licence No. 11112
Application No. 1609662
Proceeding ID No. 2660

Minor pipeline project application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1609662 registered on June 12, 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 41, Range 28, west of Fourth Meridian:

- Removal of Lines 1 and 2.
- Mapping correction of Lines 1 and 2.

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 11112.

ATCO proposed to remove Lines 1 and 2 from Licence No. 11112 to allow Lacombe County to perform its scheduled road widening.

ATCO stated that in late 2012, it was notified by Lacombe County of the county's intention to widen McLaurin Road to accommodate future development in the area. The widening of the road would directly impact two existing 26.7 millimetre high pressure pipeline laterals which are used to serve local utility customers in the area. The local distribution company (LDC) is working to supply the existing utility customers from an alternative source. Once the LDC work has been completed, the two 30 metre long laterals would no longer be required on the system.

ATCO stated that any liquids contained in the pipe would be captured and disposed of prior to the removal activity.

ATCO also stated that there are no watercourse crossings that would be affected by removal of the existing pipelines.

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 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".

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

Attachment