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ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) 7210 – 42 Street N.W. Edmonton, Alberta T6B 3H1

Attention: Jo-Anne Van Sickle

Pipelines Engineering Clerk

Amendment to the Pipeline Permit and Licence No. 2856 – January 10, 2012, Amendment Application No. 1608037 Proceeding ID No. 1657

Record amendment application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1608037 registered on January 6, 2012, 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 change the status of six pipeline segments, Lines 1, 7, 9, 11, 13 and 15, in Township 24, Ranges 2 and 3, west of the Fifth Meridian, to "Abandoned". The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Permit and Licence No. 2856.

ATCO stated that the pipeline segments were no longer required as the 60 millimetre (mm) pipeline is looped with a 168 mm pipeline. Consultation with landowners was completed in accordance with AUC Rule 020: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines*. The portions of the pipeline that were abandoned as opposed to removed were left in place as per landowner requests. The abandonment of these pipeline segments was at ATCO's cost.

ATCO has 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.

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.

Don Popowich, P.Eng.

Director, Facilities Division

On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission