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ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)
7210 – 42 Street N.W.
Edmonton, Alberta T6B 3H1Attention: Jennifer Marler
Senior Project Leader, Pipelines Engineering**Amendment to Permit and Licence No. 10946**
Application No. 1608093
Proceeding ID No. 1694**Minor pipeline project application**

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1608093 registered on January 26, 2012, 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* to abandon Line 5 in Township 24, Range 29, west of the Fourth Meridian. The proposed work is related to a minor abandonment of an existing pipeline, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Permit and Licence No. 10946.

ATCO stated that portions of the existing 406.4 millimetre pipeline were installed in 1977 and 1980 to supply natural gas to an ATCO Gas gate station in Calgary, Alberta. A portion of this pipeline has been abandoned to facilitate the installation of a high pressure isolation valve. ATCO also 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.

ATCO provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the minor pipeline project. Since the minor pipeline 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 pipeline project takes place will likely be directly affected by the proposal, and no significant adverse environmental impact will be caused by the proposed pipeline project.

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

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Don Popowich, P.Eng.
Director, Facilities Division

On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission