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Attention: Jo-Anne Van Sickle
Pipelines Engineering Clerk

**Amendment to Accommodate Upgrading in Rocky View County
Amendment to Permit and Licence No. 14058
Application No. 1608451
Proceeding ID No. 1890**

Minor pipeline project application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1608451 registered on May 15, 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* for the following in, Township 23, Range 5, west of the Fifth Meridian:

- Splitting Line 7 into lines 7, 15 and 16.
- Addition of newly constructed pipeline (Line 17 – 0.72 kilometres (km) of 60.3 millimetre (mm) outside diameter (OD) pipeline).
- Addition of newly constructed pipeline (Line 18 – 0.61 km of 88.9 mm OD pipeline).
- Line 16 will remain in operation.
- Line 15 to be abandoned under a future application.

ATCO stated that the application involves a pipeline addition and line split on Permit and Licence No. 14058. This work has been requested by Rocky View County as part of their plan to upgrade Centre Avenue (Township Road 232) near the town of Bragg Creek.

ATCO stated that Line 18 would be added to replace lines 3 and 12. Line 18 would allow lines 3 and 12 to be abandoned under a separate application in the near future when the county upgrades Township Road 232. In addition to the relocation of the pipeline to allow for the road upgrade by the county, the outside diameter of this proposed section of pipeline would be increased to 88.9 mm from 60.3 mm in order to match Line 13, the section of pipeline upstream of Line 18. Based on current flows the increase in pipe size would provide hydraulic benefits at current operating conditions. Line 7 would be split into lines 7, 15 and 16. This would allow Line 15 to be abandoned and replaced with Line 17 when the road upgrade is completed.

ATCO stated that 100 per cent of the relocation cost would be the responsibility of ATCO. The county has agreed to provide certain land rights, over which it has control, at no cost to ATCO.

ATCO stated that they have received a statement of non-objection regarding the pipeline from Rocky View County. The proposed pipeline alignments were arrived at through consultation with the county as well as the other utilities located within the subject road plan.

The proposed work is related to a minor line installation and relocation, previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Permit and Licence No. 14058.

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 landowner(s) 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 landowner(s) 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.



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On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment