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

Attention: Patrick Bain, E.I.T.

Project Leader, Pipelines Engineering

Amendment to Accommodate Construction by Melcor Developments Ltd. Permits and Licences No. 3237 and No. 7231 Application No. 1608591 Proceeding ID No. 2002

Minor pipeline project application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1608591 registered on June 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* for the following in Township 51, Range 24, west of the Fourth Meridian:

- pertaining to Permit and Licence No. 3237
 - splitting Line 4 into lines 4 and 7
 - removal of Line 7
- pertaining to Permit and Licence No. 7231
 - splitting Line 2 into lines 2 and 24
 - removal of Line 2

The proposed work is related to a minor removal of existing pipe within the original right-of-way, previously abandoned in accordance with approvals granted in Licence No. 3237 and Licence No. 7231.

ATCO stated that Melcor Developments Ltd. (Melcor) has requested the removal of an eighty-metre and a ten-metre portion, respectively, from two abandoned pipeline segments to continue with their construction project. Melcor would be cutting and capping the ends of Line 4 of Licence No. 3237 and Line 24 of Licence No. 7231. Line 7 of Licence No. 3237 and Line 2 of Licence No. 7231 would then be excavated and removed. All cutting, capping and removal work would be completed under the direct supervision of ATCO. Any liquids contained in the pipeline sections to be removed would be captured and disposed of prior to the removal activity. Melcor would be responsible for all of the costs associated with this project.

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 of the affected land 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 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 pipeline project.

The Commission approves the application. The amended permits and licences are attached.

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On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

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