



ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)

Amendment to Permit and Licence

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1 Introduction

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO) filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or the Commission) seeking approval for an amendment to Permit and Licence No. 2219 pursuant to Section 11 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* for the following:

- decrease in maximum operation pressure (MOP) from 8860 kilopascals (kPa) to 7310 kPa on Line 1
- decrease in MOP from 8860 kPa to 7310 kPa on Line 2

(the amendment).

2. The application was registered on April 26, 2011 as Application No. 1607239.

3. ATCO stated that a difference greater than five per cent has been identified in the licenced MOP between Line 1 of Licence 2219 and the connecting pipelines (ATCO Licence 4464-Line 2 and ATCO Licence 2219-Line 2), which are in the process of having their MOP lowered to 7310 kPa. A decrease in MOP on Licence 2219-Line 1 is required to meet the requirements under Section 22(2) of the *Pipeline Regulation*.

4. ATCO stated that a difference greater than five per cent has been identified in the licenced MOP between Line 2 of Licence 2219 and the connecting pipeline (ATCO Licence 2219-Lines 1). A decrease in MOP to 7310 kPa on Licence 2219-Line 2 is required to meet the requirements under Section 22(2) of the *Pipeline Regulation*.

5. ATCO also stated that no other companies would be directly or adversely affected by the decrease in MOP on these pipelines.

2 Findings

6. The Commission finds that decreasing the licenced MOP of the connected pipelines to the lower MOP is an acceptable means of meeting the requirements of Section 22(2) of the *Pipeline Regulation*.

7. The Commission has reviewed the application and determined that it meets the requirements as stipulated in AUC Rule 020: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines*.

8. Based on the foregoing, the Commission considers the amendment to be in the public interest in accordance with Section 17 of the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act*.

3 Decision

9. Pursuant to Section 11 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act*, the Commission approves the amendment to Permit and Licence No. 2219 and grants ATCO the amended permit and licence as set out in Appendix 1 – Permit and Licence No. 2219 – May 9, 2011 (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).

Dated on May 9, 2011.

The Alberta Utilities Commission

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Commission Member