

# ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)

Pipeline Split, Removal, Length Correction and New Construction

Amendment/addition to Accommodate Commercial Development at Gasoline Alley In the City of Red Deer

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#### 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (Applicant) filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or Commission) seeking approval for an amendment/addition to Permit/Licence 2029 for the following:
  - Splitting Line 127 into Lines 127, 181 and 182;
  - Removal of Line 181;
  - Length Correction of Line 127; and
  - Addition of a newly constructed pipeline (Line 183 0.16 km of 168.3 mm OD pipe)

(Project).

#### 2 BACKGROUND

- 2. The application was registered on May 31, 2010 as Application 1606256 (Application).
- 3. The Applicant stated that the amendment/addition was necessary to accommodate commercial development at Gasoline Alley in the City of Red Deer. The change is to facilitate a request by the landowner/developer, 1517632 Alberta Ltd., in order to develop their lot for commercial purposes. All cost related to the relocation and removal will be borne by the developer.
- 4. Pipe will be removed by excavating "bell holes" and pulling the existing pipe out in sections. The pipe to be removed will have any liquids contained in the pipe captured and removed. If necessary the pipeline will be excavated, removed and the resultant trench backfilled. Topsoil will be stripped and stockpiled for the developer at the developer's request.

#### 3 DISCUSSION

5. The Commission has reviewed the Application and has determined that it meets the requirements as stipulated in *AUC Rule 020*. The application identifies that a participation involvement program has been conducted by the Applicant and that there are no outstanding public or industry objections or concerns.

6. Since no parties objected to the Application and the Project is necessary to accommodate commercial development at Gasoline Alley in the City of Red Deer, the Commission considers the Project to be in the public interest.

#### 4 DECISION

7. Pursuant to section 11 of the *Pipeline Act* and section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act*, the Commission approves the amendment/addition to Permit/Licence 2029 for the Project and grants the Applicant the amended Permit/Licence as set out in Appendix 1 – Gas Utility Pipeline – Pipeline Split, Removal, Length Correction and New Construction – Permit/Licence No. 2029 – June 3, 2010 (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).

Dated on June 3, 2010.

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(original signed by)

Thomas McGee Commissioner