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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1. AltaGas Utilities Inc. (Applicant) filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or Commission) seeking approval for an addition to Permit/Licence 1055 for the following:
 - Addition of newly constructed pipeline (Line 103 0.08 km of 114.3mm OD pipe);
 - Line 86 split into lines 86 and 104; and
 - Line 89 split into lines 89 and 105

(Project).

2 BACKGROUND

2. The application was registered on June 14, 2010 as Application 1606279 (Application).

The Applicant stated that due to a suspected cathodic protection short at a below grade valve under the road, a new road crossing must be installed. This will ensure that the pipe is properly cathodically protected. The line splits are required for the future abandonment of pipe that will not be required after the new road crossing is installed.

3 DISCUSSION

- 3. 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 participant involvement program has been conducted by the Applicant and that there are no outstanding public or industry objections or concerns.
- 4. Since no parties objected to the Application and the Project is necessary to ensure cathodic protection of the pipeline system, the Commission considers the Project to be in the public interest.

4 DECISION

5. 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 1055 for the Project and grants the Applicant the amended Permit/Licence as set out in Appendix 1 – Gas Utility Pipeline –

Pipeline Splits and New Construction – Permit/Licence No. 1055 – June 17, 2010 (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).

Dated on June 17, 2010.

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Thomas McGee Commissioner