

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)

Pipeline Split, Record Correction and New Construction

Amendment/Addition to Correct Failing Cathodic Protection at Highway 16 in TWP 50 RGE 4 W4M

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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 1910 for the following:
 - Split Line 6 into Lines 6, 32 and 33;
 - Length Correction of Line 6; and
 - Addition of newly constructed pipeline (Line 34 0.17km of 60.3mm OD pipe);

(Project).

2 BACKGROUND

- 2. The application was registered on July 23, 2010 as Application 1606385 (Application).
- 3. The Applicant stated that the amendment/addition was necessary to ensure proper cathodic protection of the pipeline. The Applicant submitted that the existing pipeline is electrically shorted to the original casing pipe, which is reducing the cathodic protection of the pipeline as well as other connecting pipelines in the area. Replacement of the pipeline under the highway is required to rectify this situation.
- 4. The Applicant stated that a Participant involvement program has been conducted by the Applicant and that there are no outstanding public or industry objections or concerns.

3 DISCUSSION

- 5. The Commission has reviewed the Application and has determined that it meets the requirements as stipulated in *AUC Rule 020*.
- 6. Since no parties objected to the Application and the Project is necessary to correct failing cathodic protection of the pipeline, 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 1910 for the Project and grants the Applicant the amended Permit/Licence as set out in Appendix 1 – Gas Utility Pipeline – Pipeline Split, Record Correction and New Construction – Permit/Licence No. 1910 – July 29, 2010 (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).

Dated on July 29, 2010.

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Thomas McGee Commissioner