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Pipeline Abandonment

Amendment to Accommodate Growth in the Town of Stettler Township 39, Range 19, West of the 4th Meridian

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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1. AltaGas Utilities Inc. (AltaGas) filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or Commission) seeking approval for an amendment to Permit/Licence 947 for the following:
 - Abandonment of Line No. 42 and Line No. 43;

(Project).

2 BACKGROUND

- 2. The application was registered on September 17, 2010, as Application 1606580 (Application).
- 3. AltaGas stated that Lines 42 and 43 were abandoned on June 26, 2010, due to growth in the Town of Stettler. These lines were undersized and were replaced with a larger line. The pipeline was abandoned in place, purged with nitrogen and capped at both ends.
- 4. AltaGas stated that a Participant Involvement Program was conducted by AltaGas 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 accommodate the growth in the Town of Stettler, 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 to Permit/Licence 947 for the Project and grants AltaGas the amended Permit/Licence as set out in Appendix 1 – Gas Utility Pipeline – Pipeline Abandonment – Permit/Licence No. 947– September 24, 2010 (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).

Dated on September 24, 2010.

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Thomas McGee Acting Commissioner