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1. ATCO Gas South, a division of ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (ATCO Gas South) applied to the Alberta Utilities Commission (the AUC or the Commission) for a Decision approving the addition of the Town of Strathmore to Rider “B” which recovers municipal taxes.
2. Notice of the application was published in conjunction with the Notice for the Town’s application for renewal of its franchise agreement with ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. and no objections were received. ATCO Gas South has given the AUC consent to proceed with the application without a hearing.
3. The AUC notes that this change in rates result from the provisions included in the franchise agreement between the Town of Strathmore and ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. which was approved in Decision 2009-283 issued in conjunction with this Decision. The franchise fee provisions included in the Agreement allow the Town to change the level of the franchise fee once annually within a cap of 35 percent. Clause 4 (c) of the Franchise Agreement includes a requirement for the Town to publish notice prior to any change in the level of the fee.
4. The AUC, pursuant to the *Gas Utilities Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. G-5, hereby orders as follows:
 - (i) Application No. 1605129 by ATCO Gas South dated May 28, 2009 is approved, subject to the terms and conditions herein contained.
 - (ii) The new rate for the Town of Strathmore, as indicated on Rider “B” attached as [Appendix 1](#) to this Decision, becomes effective upon the execution of the Town’s Franchise Renewal Agreement with ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd.
 - (iii) ATCO Gas South shall file with the AUC a copy of the revised Rider B Municipal Assessment Surcharge before the date that the rate comes into effect.
 - (iv) Any changes in the level of the franchise fee riders are required to be filed with the AUC for acknowledgement prior to the implementation of the new franchise fee rate.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta on December 24, 2009

ALBERTA UTILITIES COMMISSION

(original signed by)

Thomas McGee
Commissioner

APPENDIX 1 – RIDER “B” WITH RESPECT TO THE TOWN OF STRATHMORE

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Appendix 1 - Rider B

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Effective By Order U2008-210
On Consumption September 9, 2008
This Replaces Rider "B"
Previously Effective August 13, 2007

**ATCO GAS AND PIPELINES LTD. – SOUTH
ATCO GAS – SOUTH AND ATCO PIPELINES - SOUTH
RIDER "B" TO ALL RATES
AND ANY OTHER RIDERS THERETO**

This Rider is applicable to Customers resident in municipalities that receive a property tax under the Municipal Government Act or receive payment for specific costs which are not generally incurred by the Company. This Rider is the estimated percentage of gross revenue required to provide for the tax payable or specific cost incurred each year. To the extent that this percentage may be more or less than that required to pay the tax or specific cost, the percentage of gross revenue provided in the Rider will be adjusted on the 1st of February each year.

The percentage is to be applied as an addition to the billings calculated under the Rates including charges as allowed under other Riders in effect with respect to the following municipalities:

Banff
Siksika Nation
Bow Island
Foremost
Rosemary
Turner Valley
Canmore
Elnora
Linden
Brooks
Granum
Trochu
Claresholm
Lomond
Nanton
Bassano
Milk River
Nobleford
Didsbury
Olds
Carstairs
Airdrie
Cardston
Penhold
Raymond
Coutts
Crowsnest Pass
Vulcan
Strathmore