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SOUTHERN EXTENSION PIPELINE

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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (the Applicant) filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (the Commission) seeking approval for an addition to Permit/Licence 2526 for the following: (the Project)
 - Addition of nine newly constructed pipelines (Lines 78 to 86 11.06 km of 219mm OD pipe)

2 BACKGROUND

- 2. The application was registered on October 16, 2009, as Application 1605535 (the Application).
- 3. The Applicant stated that the addition was necessary for the replacement of the portion of the existing Southern Extension Pipeline which currently runs through the City of Red Deer.
- 4. Due to integrity concerns (including depth of cover and external corrosion) a full scale replacement of the pipeline commenced in 2008 and is being completed in various stages.

3 DISCUSSION

- 5. The Commission has reviewed the Application and has determined that it meets the requirements as stipulated in AUC Rule 020. The Commission notes that a participant 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 due to integrity concerns, the Commission considers the Project to be in the public interest.

4 DECISION

7. Therefore, pursuant to section 11 of the *Pipeline Act*, and section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act*, the Commission approves the addition to Permit/Licence 2526 for the Project and grants the Applicant the amended Permit/Licence as set out in Appendix 1 – New Construction – Permit/Licence No. 2526 – October 29, 2009 (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).

Dated in Calgary, Alberta on October 29, 2009.

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Thomas McGee Commissioner