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**ATCO GAS AND PIPELINES LTD. (SOUTH)
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EXISTING SOUTHERN EXTENSION PIPELINE
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THE SOUTH SIDE OF BLACKFALDS**

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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 seven newly constructed pipelines (Lines 87 to 92 – 5.5 km of 219mm OD pipe and Line 93 – 70 m of 114mm OD pipe)

2 BACKGROUND

2. The application was registered on November 6, 2009, as Application 1605609 (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 from the north side of Red Deer to the south side of Blackfalds.

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: Gas Utility Pipeline – New Construction – Permit/Licence No. 2526 – November 19, 2009 (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).

Dated in Calgary, Alberta on November 19, 2009.

ALBERTA UTILITIES COMMISSION

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Commissioner