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1 INTRODUCTION

1. AltaGas Utilities Inc. (Applicant) filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (the Commission) seeking approval for an addition to Permit/Licence 1055 for the addition of a newly constructed pipeline (Line 102-30m of 60.3 mm OD pipe) to relieve low pressure in the distribution system of the Nisku area (Project).

2 BACKGROUND

2. The application was registered on September 23, 2009 as Application 1605470 (Application).
3. The Applicant stated that the addition was necessary due to low distribution pressure in the Nisku area.
4. The Applicant indicated that it met the consultation and notification requirements required under Commission Rule 20 – *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines* (Commission Rule 20) and that there are no outstanding objections or concerns related to the Application.
5. The Commission issued notice of Application (Notice) to affected landowners, interested parties and Leduc County on November 6, 2009. As set out in the Notice, interveners had until November 20, 2009 to file an objection with the Commission. No objections were filed with the Commission.

3 DISCUSSION

6. The Commission has reviewed the Application and has determined that it meets the requirements as stipulated in Commission 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.
7. Since no parties objected to the Application and the Project is necessary due to low distribution pressure in the Nisku area, the Commission considers the Project to be in the public interest.

4 DECISION

8. 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 1055 for the Project and grants the Applicant the amended Permit/Licence as set out in Appendix 1 – Gas Utility Pipeline: New Pipeline Construction – Permit/Licence No. 1055 – November 30, 2009 (Appendix 1 will be distributed separately).

Dated in Calgary, Alberta on November 30, 2009.

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