

February 24, 2017

Decision 22401-D01-2017

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)
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Attention: Amy Boettger, P. Eng.
Project Engineer, Operations Engineering

Pipeline near Morinville
Licence 32196
Proceeding 22401
Application 22401-A001

Record amendment application

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 22401-A001, registered on February 8, 2017, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission under Section 12 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* for the following:

- splitting of line 2 into lines 2 and 3
- pipe status amendment of line 3 from operating to abandoned
- mapping amendment of line 2

2. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 32196.

3. ATCO stated that in 2012 it completed a project involving the addition of an in-line inspection tool launching facility at an existing compressor site. The new piping was expected to be installed wholly within the surface lease and therefore a licence application was not submitted. During construction, ATCO determined that a 40-metre segment of pipe, line 3, was required to be abandoned in place, thereby requiring an amendment to the licence.

4. ATCO stated that all liquids contained in the pipe were captured and disposed of prior to the abandonment activities.

5. ATCO stated that the application for abandonment is not within the 90-day period allowed under Section 82(2) of the *Pipeline Rules* listed under *Alberta Regulation 91/2005* pursuant to the *Pipeline Act*.

6. ATCO provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the pipeline record amendment. Since the record amendment does not involve a ground disturbance, there will be no environmental impact.

7. Based upon the information provided, ATCO has demonstrated that the proposal is of a minor nature, no other person will be directly affected by the proposal and no adverse environmental impact will be caused by the proposed record amendment.
8. The Commission approves the application. The amended licence is attached.

Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

Brian Shand, P. Eng.
Director, Gas Facilities
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment