

March 17, 2017

**Decision 22457-D01-2017** 

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Attention: Chris O'Donovan, P. Eng.

Project Engineer, Pipelines Engineering

Pipeline near Grassy Lake Licence 2027 Proceeding 22457 Application 22457-A001

## **Record amendment application**

- 1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application 22457-A001, registered on March 3, 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 near Grassy Lake:
  - addition of an existing but unlicenced operating pipeline (line 176 0.05 kilometres of 60.3-millimetre outside-diameter pipeline)
  - length amendment of line 37
  - mapping amendment of line 37
- 2. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 2027.
- 3. ATCO stated that the original 406.4-millimetre Mainline East Transmission Pipeline was installed in 1912. This pipeline was abandoned in 1985 and replaced with the 273.1-millimetre Mainline Transmission Pipeline in the same year. The original 406.4-millimetre pipeline was removed in 1988. However, certain lines from this mainline were not removed and remained abandoned in place. ATCO's producer receipt meter station in LSD 13, Section 35, Township 10, Range 13, west of the Fourth Meridian was originally connected to the 406.4-millimetre Mainline East Transmission Pipeline through line 37. When abandonment of the 406.4-millimetre pipeline occurred in 1985 a new 60.3-millimetre pipeline was installed to tie-into the new 273.1-millimetre Mainline Transmission Pipeline. In reviewing its records, ATCO determined that this pipeline was not licenced. ATCO proposed to add this pipeline to Licence 2027 as line 176 and plans to subsequently submit a licence amendment application to remove this pipeline.
- 4. 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.

- 5. 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.
- 6. 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