

September 28, 2017

Decision 22943-D01-2017

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. 7210 – 42 Street N.W. Edmonton, Alta. T6B 3H1

Attention: Matt Weran, E.I.T.

Project Engineer, Pipelines Engineering

Pipeline Abandonment in the Morley Area Licence 16829 Proceeding 22943 Application 22943-A001

Minor pipeline project application

- 1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (ATCO), by Application 22943-A001 registered on September 12, 2017, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission under Section 11 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* for the abandonment of line 2, in the Morley area. The completed work is related to the minor abandonment of existing pipe, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 16829.
- 2. ATCO stated that it was granted permission in Decision 22638-D01-2017¹ to complete a line split to accommodate the abandonment of line 2. The abandonment was completed on June 20, 2017.
- 3. ATCO stated that all liquids contained in the pipe were captured and disposed of prior to the abandonment activities.
- 4. ATCO stated that consultation with landowners and occupants for this work was completed in accordance with Rule 020: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines*.
- 5. ATCO has provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the project. Since the project involved limited ground disturbance and was within the original right-of-way, the resultant environmental impact of the work was assessed with no significant impact identified. The landowners and occupants of the affected lands did not object to the project.
- 6. Based upon the information provided, ATCO has demonstrated that the project was of a minor nature, no person other than the landowners and occupants of the land upon which the project took place were likely directly affected by the project, and no significant adverse environmental impact will be caused by the project.

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Decision 22638-D01-2017: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. – Pipeline Split in the Morleyville Area, Licence 16829, Proceeding 22638, Application 22638-D01-2017, May 18, 2017.

7. The Commission approves the application. In approving the application, however, the Commission makes no determination regarding the regulatory treatment of the costs of the assets to be removed, retired or abandoned pursuant to the application, the costs incurred in carrying out these activities, or the associated rate implications. 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