

May 4, 2018 **Decision 23503-D01-2018** 

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Attention: Michelle Owokalu, P. Eng.

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Pipeline Transfers to Low-Pressure Distribution Service on the North Edmonton Loop Transmission Pipelines in the City of Edmonton Licences 1670, 2594, 5341 and 23379 Proceeding 23503 Applications 23503-A001 to 23503-A004

## **Record amendment application**

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (ATCO), by applications 23503-A001 to 23503-A004 registered on April 17, 2018, filed applications with the Alberta Utilities Commission under Section 12 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* for the following:

Pertaining to Licence 1670:

• deletion of lines 3 and 4

Pertaining to Licence 2594:

• deletion of lines 101, 102, 114, 115, 123, 270 and 271

Pertaining to Licence 5341:

• deletion of line 13

Pertaining to Licence 23379:

- deletion of line 1
- 2. The proposed amendment is related to the conversion of pipelines to low-pressure gas distribution (less than 700 kilopascals), within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in licences 1670, 2594, 5341 and 23379.
- 3. ATCO stated that sections of the North Edmonton Loop Transmission Pipelines were identified in ATCO Pipelines' Urban Pipeline Replacement (UPR) application, Proceeding 1995, as pipelines to be removed from high-pressure service by either transferring to ATCO Gas to be

used as low-pressure distribution pipelines or abandoning in place. On January 17, 2014, the Commission approved ATCO Pipelines' UPR application in Decision 2014-010 (Errata).<sup>1</sup>

- 4. ATCO completed the transfer work of the North Edmonton Loop Transmission Pipelines, licences 1670, 2594, 5341 and 23379 in November of 2017. The scope of this specific project included the removal of 11.52 kilometres of the 88.9-millimetre, 114.3-millimetre, 168.3-millimetre, 219.1-millimetre, 323.9-millimetre and 406.4-millimetre North Edmonton Loop Transmission Pipelines from high-pressure service. These pipelines were transferred to ATCO Gas for use as low-pressure distribution pipelines to maintain gas supply to the area.
- 5. ATCO stated that notification was sent to landowners and occupants regarding this work in accordance with Rule 020: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines* on September 21, 2017, and there are no outstanding objections or concerns related to this project.
- 6. ATCO also indicated that all low-pressure conversion activities were completed on November 7, 2017 in accordance with Rule 020 requirements.
- 7. ATCO provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the pipeline record amendments. Since the record amendments do not involve a ground disturbance, there will be no environmental impact.
- 8. 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 amendments.
- 9. The Commission approves the applications. The amended licences are attached.

## Alberta Utilities Commission

(original signed by)

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

Attachments

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Decision 2014-010 (Errata): ATCO Pipelines, a division of ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. – Errata to Decision 2014-010, Urban Pipeline Replacement Project, February 21, 2014.