

December 21, 2018

**Decision 24157-D01-2018**

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd.  
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Attention: Zach Coen, P.Eng.  
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**Pipeline Abandonment in the Village of Hines Creek  
Licence 9065  
Proceeding 24157  
Application 24157-A001**

**Record amendment application**

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (ATCO), by Application 24157-A001 registered on December 18, 2018, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission under Section 12 of the *Pipeline Act*, and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act*, to amend the pipe status of line 1 from operating to abandoned. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 9065.
2. ATCO stated that it completed the abandonment of the 60.3-millimetre Hines Creek Forest Products Lateral Pipeline because the single customer that it supplied has discontinued operations and no longer requires natural gas service. The total length of the abandonment was 4.63 kilometres. ATCO completed this project on October 1, 2018. The Hines Creek Forest Products Delivery Station, which provided measurement and pressure control for this pipeline, was also removed in September of 2018.
3. ATCO stated that consultation with landowners and occupants for this work was completed in accordance with Rule 020: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines*. The work completed was done on private lands.
4. ATCO stated that all liquids contained in the pipe were captured and disposed of prior to the abandonment activities.
5. 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.

6. Based upon the information provided, the Commission is satisfied that the proposal is of a minor nature, no person will be directly and adversely affected by the proposal, and no significant adverse environmental impact will be caused by the proposed record amendment.

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