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**Decision 24166-D01-2019**

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Attention: Mihir Tailor, P.Eng.  
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**Pipeline Abandonment in the Whitecourt Area  
Licence 8981  
Proceeding 24166  
Application 24166-A001**

**Record amendment application**

1. ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (ATCO), by Application 24166-A001 registered on December 19, 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*, for the abandonment of line 1, 0.79 kilometres (km) of 42.2-millimetre (mm) pipeline. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 8981.
2. ATCO completed the abandonment of the 42.2-mm pipeline identified in proceedings 23490<sup>1</sup> and 23677.<sup>2</sup> The total length of the abandonment was 0.79 km. ATCO completed this project in October 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*. Confirmation of non-objection by directly and /or adversely affected landowners and occupants was obtained. All work was completed on private lands.
4. ATCO stated there were no liquids found in the pipeline 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.

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 23490-D01-2018: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. – Pipeline Split and Removal of a Section of the Whitecourt Transmission Lateral Pipeline, Proceeding 23490, Application 23490-A001, May 11, 2018.

<sup>2</sup> Decision 23677-D01-2018: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. – Record Amendment on the Whitecourt Transmission Lateral Pipeline, Proceeding 23677, Application 23677-A001, July 6, 2018.

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)*

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Executive Director, Facilities Division  
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment