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ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South)
7210-42 Street N.W.
Edmonton, Alberta T2P 3L8Attention: Kelly Granigan, P. Eng.
Project Engineer, Pipeline Integrity**Amendment to Permit and Licence No. 103**
Application No. 1610007
Proceeding ID No. 2885**Record amendment application**

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1610007, registered on October 24, 2013, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or the Commission) under Section 12 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* for the following in Township 48, Range 7, west of the Fifth Meridian:

- splitting Line 23 into lines 23, 39 and 40
- splitting Line 25 into lines 25, 41 and 42
- mapping amendment to lines 25 and 26
- length amendment to Line 26
- removal of lines 39 and 41

The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence No. 103.

ATCO stated that in 1983, the portion of the Pembina Transmission pipeline that crosses the North Saskatchewan River was replaced, and a portion of the existing pipeline was abandoned in place. At that time, lines 23, 25 and 26 were added to Licence 103, and Line 26 was abandoned. Portions of Line 26 were removed at that time, but the as-built information is not sufficient to remove the pipeline from the licence. ATCO stated that it appears at that time, lines 25 and 26 were inadvertently switched on the township map, although the lines were correctly shown on the map submitted to the Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB) at the time of licensing. In addition, in 1983, it appears the length of Line 26 was adjusted to reflect the removed portion, but there is insufficient information to confirm the location and length of the removal. In 1999, the river crossing was replaced again, and lines 23 and 25 were also abandoned. Subsequently, in 2003 portions of lines 23, 25 and 26 were removed. As-built information for Line 26 is not sufficient to remove the pipeline from the licence. The removed portions of lines 23 and 25 were not removed from the licence as only portions of the lines were removed.

In order to correct the licensing error that occurred in 1983, ATCO proposed to re-label lines 25 and 26 on the map, and adjust the length of Line 26. In addition, Line 23 would be split into lines 23, 39 and 40, and Line 25 would be split into lines 25, 41, and 42. Lines 39 and 41 would be shown as removed on the licence.

ATCO stated that a watercourse crossing was affected by the construction activities, and that ATCO had complied with the Code of Practice in accordance with the *Water Act*.

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.

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.

The Commission approves the application. The amended permit and licence is attached.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Shand". The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

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