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Pipeline Removal Permit and Licence No. 3237 Application No. 1610380 Proceeding ID No. 3112

Minor pipeline project application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1610380, registered on March 7, 2014, filed an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC or the Commission) under Section 11 of the *Pipeline Act* and Section 4.1 of the *Gas Utilities Act* to remove Line 6 in Township 51, Range 24, west of Fourth Meridian. The proposed work is related to the minor removal of abandoned pipeline, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and operated in accordance with approvals granted in Permit and Licence No. 3237.

ATCO stated that Melcor Developments Ltd. (Melcor) requested the removal of the 270 metres of abandoned 60.3 millimeter outside diameter pipeline in order to continue with its construction project. Melcor would be excavating and removing Line 6 of Permit and Licence No. 3237. The entirety of the removal work would be completed under the direct supervision of ATCO. Melcor would be responsible for all of the costs associated with this project.

ATCO stated that there are no watercourse crossings that would be affected by the removal activities. Any liquids contained in the pipeline would be captured and disposed of prior to the removal activity.

ATCO has provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the project. Since the project involves no significant ground disturbance and is within the original right-of-way, the resultant environmental impact of the work has been assessed with no significant impact identified. The landowners and occupants of the affected lands did not object to the project.

Based upon the information provided, ATCO has demonstrated that the proposal is of a minor nature, no person other than the landowners and occupants of the land upon which the project takes place will likely be directly affected by the proposal, and no significant adverse environmental impact will be caused by the proposed project.

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

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

Attachment