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Attention: Dean Millis, P. Eng.
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Pipeline Splits, Removals and New Construction
Permit and Licence No. 52
Application No. 1610448
Proceeding No. 3156

Minor pipeline project application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1610448 registered on April 2, 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* for the following in Township 55, Ranges 21 and 22, west of Fourth Meridian:

- splitting Line 25 into lines 25, 34 and 35.
- removal of Line 34.
- lines 25 and 35 remain in place as operating.
- addition of newly constructed pipeline (Line 36 – 1.95 kilometres of 168.3-millimetre outside-diameter pipeline).

The proposed work is related to the minor replacement of pipe previously constructed and operated in accordance with approval granted in Permit and Licence No. 52.

ATCO stated that the existing 168.3 millimetre Bittern Lake Transmission pipeline was installed in 1975 by Norcen Energy and purchased by ATCO (previously Northwestern Utilities) in 1995. Williams Energy requested ATCO to relocate its pipeline within E-25-55-22-W4M to allow for future infrastructure development where Williams Energy proposes to install a propane dehydrogenation facility to produce polymer-grade propylene. The relocation includes the installation of 1.95 kilometres of new 168.3 millimetre pipe and the removal of 1.14 kilometres of existing 168.3 millimetre pipe. Williams Energy would be responsible for the entire cost of the project.

ATCO included an environmental site assessment for the project area and stated that it would prepare a site specific environmental protection plan for the installation and removal activities. ATCO stated that any liquids contained in the pipe would be captured and disposed of prior to the removal activity.

ATCO stated that this project does not require a historical resource impact assessment since the pipeline is a Class II pipeline and the proposed work area is not referenced in the latest edition of Alberta Culture's listing of historic resources.

ATCO stated that all landowners along the right-of-way were notified in accordance with the requirements of AUC Rule 020: *Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines*. The pipeline construction is located within a private land owner's property. A non-objection has been obtained from the land owner affected by this project.

ATCO has provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the project. Since the project involves minor incremental ground disturbance, the resultant environmental impact of the work has been assessed with no significant impact identified. The landowner 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 landowner 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Shand".

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

Attachment