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ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) 7210 – 42 Street N.W. Edmonton, Alberta T6B 3H1

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Senior Administrative Coordinator

Pipeline Removal Licence No. 14474 Application No. 1610713 Proceeding No. 3326

Minor pipeline project application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1610713 registered on July 8, 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 removal of Line 4 in Township 51, Range 21, west of the Fourth Meridian.

ATCO stated that an existing well operated by Hell's Half Acre Petroleum has been shut down since May 2011, therefore, ATCO plans to remove the associated Cooking Lake South receipt station. As the station would no longer be supplying natural gas to the system, ATCO proposes to remove the 40 metre Golden Tie-in Loop lateral pipeline, Line 4.

Any liquids within the pipeline would be removed prior to the pipeline removal.

ATCO stated it would reclaim the right-of-way after the removal and would apply to the Alberta Energy Regulator for a reclamation certificate in accordance with the Alberta Environment and Sustainable Resource Development *Pipeline Reclamation Certificate Application Form* – 2006.

ATCO stated that consultation was completed with landowners and occupants in accordance with AUC Rule 020: *Gas Utility Pipelines*.

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 landowner 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 landowner 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 licence is attached.

Brian Shand, P.Eng. Director, Gas Facilities

On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

Attachment