

**DA2014-224**

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**Pipeline Abandonment**  
**Licence No. 2594**  
**Application No. 1610845**  
**Proceeding No. 3423**

### **Minor pipeline project application**

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1610845 registered on September 16, 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 abandonment of lines 209 and 275 in Townships 53 and 54, Range 25, west of the Fourth Meridian.

The proposed work is related to the minor abandonment of existing pipe, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and subsequently abandoned in accordance with approvals granted in Licence No. 2594.

ATCO stated that in 2014, ATCO proposed to abandon the 323.9-millimetre (mm) North Edmonton loop transmission pipeline, which is located in an urban environment and has become obsolete due to the installation of the 508-mm Northwest Edmonton connector pipeline in the Edmonton Transportation Utility Corridor (TUC) in 2011. Furthermore, Cameron Developments requested that a 175-metre long segment of the 323.9-mm North Edmonton transmission pipeline in LSD 01-01-54-25-W4M be removed to accommodate future development. ATCO received approval to split Line 209 into lines 209, 274, 275 and 276 in Decision [DA2014-54](#).<sup>1</sup> Lines 209 and 275 were to be abandoned, Line 274 was to be removed, and Line 276 still remains operating. ATCO obtained approval for the surface disturbance associated with the abandonment in the TUC from Alberta Infrastructure in Ministerial Consent No. MCE14-0014.

In its submission, ATCO stated that the pipeline was abandoned in accordance with AUC requirements, all associated surface facilities would be removed and the surface site reclaimed within a year.

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<sup>1</sup> DA2014-54: ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) – Pipeline Removal, Permit and Licence No. 2594, Application No. 1610358, Proceeding No. 3101, March 5, 2014.

ATCO has provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the project. Since the project involves limited ground disturbance and is within the original right-of-way, the resultant environmental impact of the work has been assessed with limited 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.

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

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