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Pipeline Split Licence No. 2594 Application No. 1610905 Proceeding No. 3458

Minor Pipeline project application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1610905 registered on October 9, 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 split Line 89 into lines 89, 281 and 282 in the city of Edmonton. The proposed amendment is related to facilities previously constructed and operating in accordance with approvals granted in Licence 2594.

ATCO stated that Line 89 of Licence No. 2594 was identified in the ATCO Pipelines Urban Pipeline Replacement application, Proceeding No. 1995, as a line to be removed from high-pressure service. On January 17, 2014, the AUC approved ATCO's Urban Pipeline Replacement application in Decision 2014-010 (Errata). Line 89 currently provides service to one ATCO Gas customer tap in the city of Edmonton. It was determined that functionality of the system could be maintained by transferring a portion of Line 89 to ATCO Gas to use as a low-pressure distribution pipeline, and relocating the customer tap. The remainder of the pipeline, Line 282, would be abandoned in place with any liquids contained in the pipeline being captured and disposed of prior to abandonment. The line split is therefore required to accommodate the conversion of Line 281 to low-pressure service, and the abandonment of Line 282.

ATCO has provided information respecting the need, nature and extent of the project. Since the project involves minor 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