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Attention: Brad Cann, P. Eng.
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Pipeline Removal
Licence No. 5450
Application No. 1610981
Proceeding No. 3512

Minor pipeline project application

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (South) (ATCO), by Application No. 1610981 registered on November 5, 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 1 in Township 43, Range 25, west of the Fourth Meridian. The proposed work is related to the minor removal of existing pipe, within the original right-of-way, previously constructed and operated in accordance with approvals granted in Licence No. 5450.

ATCO stated that on July 29, 2013, it received approval from the AUC in Decision DA2013-181 to complete numerous abandonment and removal projects to complete the Southern Extension transmission line replacement project under Application No. 1609755, which indicated that Line 1 of Licence No. 5450 was to be abandoned.

ATCO stated that construction crews reviewed the location of Line 1 of License No. 5450, which crosses a rail line and is located at a regulating station. In order to remove congestion from the station site and properly abandon the cased rail line crossing, Line 1 must be removed and the casing grouted, rather than abandoned in place.

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 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 licence is attached.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Shand". The signature is written in a cursive style with some overlapping letters.

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

Attachment