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ENBRIDGE PIPELINES (ATHABASCA) LTD.
APPLICATIONS FOR PIPELINE LICENCES
CHEECHAM TERMINAL TO EDMONTON TERMINAL

Decision 2007-023 Applications No. 1460029 and 1450418

#### 1 DECISION

Having completed a review of Applications No. 1460029 and 1450418, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB/Board) approved the applications on February 20, 2007.

### 2 INTRODUCTION

## 2.1 Applications

Enbridge Pipelines (Athabasca) Ltd. (Enbridge) applied to the EUB, pursuant to Part 4 of the *Pipeline Act*, for approval to construct and operate four pipelines and three pump stations. The Waupisoo Pipeline Project (Application No. 1460029) was amended to change the pipeline route and the location of the Mid-point Pump Station. The Stonefell Pipeline Project (Application No. 1450418) was amended to include only two pipelines and to change the outside diameter (OD) of the crude oil pipeline from 508 millimetres (mm) to 610 mm.

## **Application No. 1460029**

The Waupisoo Pipeline Project, as amended, would be used to transport crude oil from Enbridge's existing Cheecham Terminal located in Legal Subdivision (LSD) 6, Section 8, Township 84, Range 6, West of the 4th Meridian, to an Enbridge lease adjacent to the Enbridge Edmonton Terminal located in LSD 7-5-53-23W4M. There would be three pump stations located along the pipeline right-of-way at the Cheecham Terminal (Cheecham Pump Station located within Cheecham Terminal), LSD 2-23-67-18W4M (Mid-point Pump Station), and LSD 1-9-56-21W4M (Bruderheim Pump Station located within the Stonefell Terminal). The proposed Waupisoo pipeline would be about 380 kilometres (km) in length, with an OD of 762 mm.

### **Application No. 1450418**

The Stonefell Pipeline Project, as amended, would consist of two pipelines. The proposed Stonefell/Inter Pipeline Fund (IPF) Crude Oil Lateral Pipeline would transport blended crude oil through a 7.5 km long, 610 mm OD pipeline from an interconnection with the IPF pipeline system at LSD 9-6-56-20W4M (9-6), to the Stonefell Terminal. The proposed Stonefell/IPF Diluent Lateral Pipeline would transport diluent through a 7.5 km, 324 mm OD pipeline from the Stonefell Terminal to an interconnection with IPF at 9-6.

#### 2.2 Interventions

Fifteen parties filed objections to these applications with the EUB. The parties raised concerns related to the environment, noise, wildlife, ground disturbance, water, compensation, agricultural operations, property values, pipeline routing, and use of existing pipeline corridors. As a number of these parties demonstrated that they might be directly and adversely affected by the Board's

decision on these applications, the Board decided to set the applications down for consideration at a public hearing.

## 2.3 Hearing

The Board was scheduled to hold a public hearing in Edmonton, Alberta, on February 20, 2007, before Board Member J. R. Nichol, P.Eng. (Presiding Member) and Board Members B. T. McManus, Q.C., and T. M. McGee.

### 3 DISCUSSION

Ongoing discussions between Enbridge and the parties that submitted the objections resulted in the EUB receiving signed withdrawals of objection from all of the parties that had qualified for standing at the scheduled hearing.

The Board dismissed the objections of the remaining parties by letters dated February 16, 2007, as the Board determined that these parties had not established the potential for direct and adverse impact as defined by the *Energy Resources Conservation Act*.

As a result, the Board found that a hearing was not required for the consideration of these pipeline applications.

The Board was satisfied that the applications were technically complete and compliant with all applicable EUB requirements. The Board expects Enbridge to meet the commitments it made to address the concerns of the parties that had objected to the applications. The Board approved the applications and directed that the pipeline licences be issued on February 20, 2007.

Dated in Calgary, Alberta, on March 27, 2007.

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