

# Rule 020

## Rules Respecting Gas Utility Pipelines

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC/Commission) has approved this rule on January 2, 2008.

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### Definitions

- 1 In these rules:
  - (a) “Act” means the *Alberta Utilities Commission Act*;
  - (b) “Commission” means the Alberta Utilities Commission;
  - (c) “gas utility pipeline” means a gas utility pipeline as defined in the *Gas Utilities Act*.

### Application

- 2 These rules apply to gas utility pipelines.

### Pipeline Act

- 3 *Pipeline Act* and the *Pipeline Regulation* apply to gas utility pipelines.

### Application for Licence to Construct and Operate

**4(1)** An application for a licence to construct and operate a gas utility pipeline must be made to the Commission, in accordance with the requirements of sections 2, 3, and 6 including Schedules 1, 3 and 3.1 of *Directive 56, Energy Development Applications and Schedules*, published by the Energy Resources Conservation Board with the modifications made by the Commission, as available on the Commission’s website.

**(2)** An application for a gas utility pipeline must identify under which one of the following application types it is being made

- (a) Pipeline – New;
- (b) Pipeline – Amendment;
- (c) Pipeline – Transfer;
- (d) PPL Install-New (installations on a gas utility pipeline such as compressors);

- (e) PPL Install-Amend – (amendments to an installation on a gas utility pipeline).
- (3) An applicant must obtain or hold a business associate code from the Petroleum Registry for purposes of filing an application.
- (4) Applications must be filed electronically through the Commission’s Electronic Application Submission system.
- (5) At time of application, an applicant must also file a paper copy of pipeline base plan maps with the Commission.
- (6) The Commission may require additional information from an applicant.

### **Licences**

5 The Commission may issue a licence for a gas utility pipeline, if the application meets the applicable requirements.

### **Reporting to Petroleum Registry**

6 A licensee of a gas utility pipeline must report volumetric information in accordance with *Directive 7, Volumetric and Infrastructure Requirements*, published by the Energy Resources Conservation Board, as amended from time to time.

### **Adoption by Reference**

7 For greater certainty, the following Directives issued by the Energy Resources Conservation Board apply to gas utility pipelines

- (a) *Directive 038: Noise Control*, as amended, until a noise control rule is adopted by the Commission;
- (b) *Directive 041: Adoption of CSA Z662-03, Annex N, as Mandatory*, as amended from time to time;
- (c) *Directive 056: Energy Development Applications and Schedules*, as indicated in section 3;
- (d) *Directive 060: Upstream Petroleum Industry Flaring, Incinerating, and Venting*, as amended from time to time;
- (e) *Directive 071: Emergency Preparedness and Response Requirements for the Petroleum Industry*, as amended from time to time.