

April 29, 2010

AltaGas Utilities Inc.  
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Attention: Mrs. Jennifer Coleman, CMA  
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**ALTAGAS UTILITIES INC.  
DEFAULT RATE TARIFF  
GAS CHARGE – MAY 2010  
APPLICATION NO. 1606131**

1. AltaGas Utilities Inc. (AltaGas) filed an application (Application) on April 26, 2010, with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) for its gas cost recovery rate (GCRR)<sup>1</sup> for the month of May 2010. The proposed GCRR was \$2.906 per gigajoule (GJ).
2. AUC staff members have reviewed the Application, and the AUC accepts that the proposed GCRR was calculated on a monthly flow-through basis in accordance with section 3(5) of the *Default Gas Supply Regulation*, AR 184/2003, as amended, and in accordance with the directions previously issued to gas utilities by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board, predecessor to the AUC, in Decision 2001-75,<sup>2</sup> and, more specifically to AltaGas, in Decision 2002-036.<sup>3</sup> Consequently, the AUC acknowledges for AltaGas the GCRR of \$2.906/GJ, as set out in Rate Rider “D”, which is to be applied to the energy sold to all sales service rates unless otherwise specified by specific contracts during the month of May 2010.
3. As directed in Decision 2001-75, interested parties will be provided with a 30-day review period following the filing of each monthly GCRR in which to raise any concerns with the GCRR, price and volume forecasts, and prior period reconciliations.



Carolyn Dahl Rees  
Vice-Chair

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<sup>1</sup> This rate for marketable gas, also known as a gas cost flow-through rate (GCFR), is referred to as the gas charge under the *Default Gas Supply Regulation*, AR 184/2003, as amended.

<sup>2</sup> Decision 2001-75 – Methodology for Managing Gas Supply Portfolios and Determining Gas Cost Recovery Rates (Methodology) Proceeding and Gas Rate Unbundling (Unbundling) Proceeding, Part A: GCRR Methodology and Gas Rate Unbundling (Applications 2001040 and 2001093, Files 5680-1 and 5680-2) (Released: October 30, 2001).

<sup>3</sup> Decision 2002-036 – AltaGas Utilities Inc. GCRR Methodology and Gas Rate Unbundling – Compliance Filing (Application 1258179, File 5628-43) (Released: March 21, 2002).