January 26, 2021 Disposition 26272-D01-2021

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Attention: Jennifer Coleman, Senior Regulatory Specialist

Apex Utilities Inc.
Third-Party Transportation Rate – February 2021
Proceeding 26272

1. Apex Utilities Inc. (AUI)[1] submitted its monthly filing on January 25, 2021, to the Alberta Utilities Commission for its proposed third-party transportation rate (TPTR) for the month of February 2021. The proposed TPTR was $0.335 per gigajoule (GJ).

2. The AUC has reviewed the filing and considers that the proposed TPTR was determined in accordance with the method approved in Decision 2007-079,[2] as issued by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board, predecessor to the AUC. Consequently, the AUC acknowledges for AUI the TPTR of $0.335/GJ, which, as set out in Rate Rider G, is to be applied to the energy delivered to default supply and retail supply distribution service customers during February 2021.

3. Upstream transportation costs that are currently recovered through the TPTR were previously recovered through AUI's gas cost recovery rate (GCRR). Therefore, the Commission considers that, similar to the direction provided to gas utilities for GCRR applications in Decision 2001-75,[3] interested parties shall be provided with a 30-day review period following the filing of each monthly TPTR in which to raise any concerns with the determination of the TPTR.

4. The Commission may, within 30 days of the date of this disposition and without notice, correct typographical, spelling and calculation errors and other similar types of errors and post the corrected disposition on its website.

(original signed by)

Derrick Ploof, Director, Retail Energy and Water
On behalf of the Alberta Utilities Commission

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[1] Effective November 6, 2020, AltaGas Utilities Inc. changed its name to Apex Utilities Inc. (Exhibit 26118-X0001, AUI GCRR Filing 2020-12 2020-11-24).

[2] Decision 2007-079: AltaGas Utilities Inc., 2005/2006 General Rate Application Phase II, Application 1491262-1, October 16, 2007 and Decision 2007-079 (Addendum) – Addendum to 2005/2006 General Rate Application Phase II Request for Clarification, Application 1556666-1, February 12, 2008.

[3] 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, October 30, 2001.