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Notice of application to be filed for approval to amend franchise fee for the Town of Cochrane and ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd.

Application summary

ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. will file an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission, requesting acknowledgement of the new franchise fee of 35% for the Town of Cochrane.

The current franchise fee of 20% will change to 35%, effective January 1, 2027. The franchise fee percentage is applied to the distribution tariff, which typically consists of both distribution and transmission charges. Based on the average monthly residential consumption of 8.75 gigajoules (GJs) of natural gas, the average monthly franchise fee paid by an average residential customer is expected to increase to approximately $16.63.

The franchise fee is charged in accordance with the franchise agreement between the Town of Cochrane and ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd., which was approved by the Commission in Decision 30378-D01-2025. The franchise fee is collected by ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. and remitted to the Town of Cochrane.

You may send your objections, concerns about, or support for the application in writing to the Town of Cochrane or to ATCO on or before **November 17, 2026,** at:

> Town of Cochrane, Attn: Robbie Lowden, 101 RancheHouse Road, Cochrane, Alberta, T4C 2K8, phone: 403 851 2500; email: finance@cochrane.ca
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> ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd., Attn: Franchise Coordinator, 5302 Forand St. S.W. Calgary, Alberta, T3E 8B4; email: franchisecoordinatorgas@atco.com.

Except for information designated confidential by the Commission, any information or materials, including personal information, that are provided as part of a Commission proceeding will become part of the public record.

If no submissions are received, or if submissions are received from a party not directly affected, or if submissions are frivolous, vexatious or of little merit, the Commission may render a decision on the application without further notice or without a public hearing.

For more information

For more information on how to file a submission, please contact the Commission directly at 310-4282 (in Alberta) or 1-833-511-4282 (outside Alberta), or by email at info@auc.ab.ca. An information package, providing an explanation of the process and assistance on how to participate in the proceeding, will be immediately provided to any person who inquires with the Commission.

For a paper copy of the franchise agreement, please contact either the municipality or the applicant via the contact information provided above.

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