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### ORDER NUMBER G-246-22

IN THE MATTER OF the *Utilities Commission Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 473

and

Plateau Pipe Line Ltd.
Abandonment of Service for the Western System (South)

#### **BEFORE:**

C. M. Brewer, Panel Chair B. A. Magnan, Commissioner W. M. Everett, QC, Commissioner

on August 31, 2022

#### **ORDER**

#### WHEREAS:

- A. On June 14, 2022, pursuant to sections 65 and 72(2) of the *Utilities Commission Act* (UCA), Plateau Pipe Line Ltd. (Plateau), as general partner of Pembina West Limited Partnership, filed an application with the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) for an order approving the abandonment of service as a common carrier on the southern segment (Southern Segment) of the Western Pipeline System (Western System), (Application);
- B. By Order G-233-22A, dated August 17, 2022, the BCUC established a public hearing and regulatory timetable for the review of the Application. The BCUC also issued Directives 2, 3, and 4 as follows:
  - 2. Plateau is directed, as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than Thursday, August 25, 2022, to:
    - a. provide an electronic copy of this order and Public Notice to all affected or potentially
      affected parties including but not limited to landowners, all First Nations and other
      indigenous communities in the area and all previous shippers on the Southern Segment; and
    - b. post a copy of this order and the Public Notice attached as Appendix B to this order on Plateau's website.
  - 3. Plateau is directed to publish the Public Notice of this order on all its current social media platforms, on or before Thursday, August 25, 2022;
  - 4. Plateau is directed to provide confirmation of compliance with Directives 2 and 3 by Thursday, August 25, 2022. Such confirmation shall include a list of all parties notified.

- C. By letter dated August 22, 2022, Plateau filed a request for variance of Order G-233-22A. Plateau requested relief from (i) the requirement in Directive 2.a to provide the Notice to landowners and First Nations and other Indigenous communities along the Southern Segment, and (ii) the requirement in Directive 3 to post the notice on Plateau's social media accounts. Plateau also requested that the regulatory timetable for the proceeding be suspended while the BCUC considered its request;
- D. By letter dated August 24, 2022, the regulatory timetable for review of the Application was adjourned; and
- E. The BCUC has considered Plateau's request and determines that variance of Order G-233-22A is warranted.

#### **NOW THEREFORE** the BCUC orders as follows:

- 1. Directive 2 of Order G-233-22A is varied to state:
  - 2. Plateau is directed, as soon as reasonably possible, but no later than Friday, September 9, 2022, to:
    - a. provide an electronic copy of this order and the public notice attached as Appendix B (Public Notice) to all affected or potentially affected parties including but not limited to all previous shippers on the Southern Segment; and
    - b. post this order and Public Notice on Plateau's public customer website.
- 2. Directive 3 of Order G-233-22A is rescinded in its entirety.
- 3. Directive 4 of Order G-233-22A is varied to state:
  - 4. Plateau is directed to provide confirmation of compliance with Directive 2 of Order G-233-22A by Friday, September 9, 2022. Such confirmation shall include a list of all parties notified and URL to posted Order and Public Notice.
- 4. The regulatory timetable for the review of the Application is amended, as set out in Appendix A to this order.

<b>DATED</b> at the Cit	v of Vancouver	in the Province	of British Columbia, this	31 <sup>st</sup>	day of August 2022
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BY ORDER

Original signed by:

C. M. Brewer Commissioner

**Attachment** 

# Plateau Pipe Line Ltd. Application for Abandonment of Service for the Western System (South)

## **REGULATORY TIMETABLE**

Action	Date (2022)	
BCUC Information Request (IR) No. 1 to Plateau	Thursday, September 8	
Plateau to provide Public Notice	Friday, September 9	
Plateau to provide compliance with Public Notice	Friday, September 9	
Plateau responses to BCUC IR No. 1	Tuesday, September 20	
Deadline to submit Letters of Comment	Tuesday, September 27	
Plateau response to Letters of Comment	Tuesday, October 4	
Further process	To be determined	