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## CANADIAN UTILITIES ACQUIRES PIONEER PIPELINE FOR \$255 MILLION

**CALGARY, Alberta – ATCO Ltd. (TSX: ACO.X, ACO.Y) / Canadian Utilities Limited (TSX: CU) (TSX: CU.X)**

Canadian Utilities subsidiary ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (“ATCO”) has entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement to acquire the Pioneer Pipeline from Tidewater Midstream & Infrastructure Ltd. (“Tidewater”) and its partner TransAlta Corporation (“TransAlta”) for a purchase price of CDN \$255 million. The 131-km natural gas pipeline runs from the Drayton Valley area to the Wabamun area west of Edmonton, Alberta.

This agreement replaces the previously announced purchase and sale agreement to sell the Pioneer Pipeline to NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (“NGTL”) and is under substantially similar terms.

The transaction is subject to customary conditions in a transaction of this nature including regulatory approvals by the Alberta Utilities Commission and the Alberta Energy Regulator, which are expected by the second quarter of 2021.

Following closing of the transaction, the Pioneer Pipeline will be integrated into NGTL’s and ATCO’s Alberta integrated natural gas transmission systems to provide reliable natural gas supply to TransAlta’s power generating units at Sundance and Keephills – facilitating the conversion of these coal plants to clean-burning natural gas.

“This transaction continues to illustrate ATCO’s commitment to understand and support our customers’ evolving needs and develop solutions that support the transition to a lower-emitting energy system,” said Siegfried Kiefer, President & Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Utilities.

With approximately 4,600 employees and assets of \$20 billion, Canadian Utilities Limited is an ATCO company. Canadian Utilities is a diversified global energy infrastructure corporation delivering essential services and innovative business solutions in Utilities (electricity and natural gas transmission and distribution, and international electricity operations); Energy Infrastructure (electricity generation, energy storage, and industrial water solutions); and Retail Energy (electricity and natural gas retail sales). More information can be found at [www.canadianutilities.com](http://www.canadianutilities.com).

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