

August 26, 2024

Village of Rycroft  
PO Box 360  
Rycroft, AB, T0H 3A0

**Attention: Mr. Peter Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer**

**Re: Natural Gas Franchise Fee Estimate for 2025 - Rycroft**

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As per the Natural Gas Distribution System Franchise Agreement between ATCO Gas and Pipelines Ltd. (**ATCO**) and the *Village of Rycroft*, ATCO pays the *Village of Rycroft* a franchise fee. The franchise fee is collected from gas customers within *Rycroft* and is calculated as a percentage of ATCO's revenue derived from the delivery tariff.

The franchise agreement requires that we provide ATCO's total revenues derived from the delivery tariff within *Rycroft* for 2023 and an estimate of total revenues to be derived from the delivery tariff within *Rycroft* for 2025. The chart below provides this information as well as an estimate of your franchise fee revenue for the 2025 calendar year.


ATCO's Delivery Tariff Revenue in 2023	ATCO's Estimated Delivery Tariff Revenue for 2025	Your Current Franchise Fee Percentage	Your Estimated Franchise Fees for 2025
\$233,121	\$253,312	30.00%	\$75,994

Please note that the estimated delivery tariff revenue for 2025 can be impacted by changes in customer operations and weather. Additionally, ATCO has utilized forecast 2025 delivery rates, however, they have not yet been approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission. ATCO commits to providing updated franchise fee revenue forecasts at a future date should there be material impacts related to any update of these forecast assumptions.

Under the franchise agreement, the *Village of Rycroft* has the option of changing the franchise fee percentage for 2025. If you are considering changing the franchise fee in 2025, please contact us as soon as possible to learn about the process. We will guide you through the process and will file an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) for approval. A request to change the franchise fee must be made in writing and must be received by ATCO on or before October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

We trust you will find this information useful. Should you have any questions or require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me at [John.Lembryk@atco.com](mailto:John.Lembryk@atco.com).

Yours truly,



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