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OPERATIONAL UPDATE – GAS UTILITY FACILITIES

MEDICINE HAT - The Gas Utility has successfully commissioned into operation the South Boundary Road pipeline and the new Gas Regulator Station in the Southlands area.

This new infrastructure will enhance gas supply to Southlands and the southwest sector for many years to come.

Maintenance required on the Bannon Avenue odorizing station also has been completed, and the west leg of that pipeline system has been returned to normal operation. The west leg section was isolated eight weeks ago to contain a gas odour problem experienced in some southeast and southwest sections of the city.

Both the Southlands and Bannon Avenue systems are now ready for full operation through the peak winter season.

The Gas Utility thanks all its customers for their cooperation and patience throughout completion of these 2005 projects.

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