

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT
AND PETITION OF VALLEY QUEEN
CHEESE FACTORY, INC., OTTER TAIL
POWER COMPANY, RESPONDENT.

CE15-001

**REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL
TREATMENT OF DOCUMENTS
SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF JOINT
MOTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT
WITH DEVIATIONS AS PART OF
SETTLEMENT AND TO DISMISS
CONSUMER COMPLAINT**

Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:41, Respondent Otter Tail Power Company ("Otter Tail"), through its undersigned counsel, request confidential treatment as follows:

1. Confidential protection is sought for the following:
 - a. Exhibit A attached to Exhibit 1 of the Joint Motion to Approve Contract with Deviations as Part of Settlement and to Dismiss Consumer Complaint ("Exhibit 1"). Exhibit A is a copy of the proposed electric service agreement with deviations between Valley Queen Cheese Factory, Inc. ("Valley Queen") and Otter Tail.
 - b. Exhibit B attached to Exhibit 1. Exhibit B is a copy of the current electric service agreement between Valley Queen and Otter Tail.
 - c. Exhibit C attached to Exhibit 1. Exhibit C is a copy of settlement agreement signed by Valley Queen and Otter Tail.
 - d. Exhibit E attached to Exhibit 1. Exhibit E is a memorandum explaining the rationale for the proposed electric service agreement.

e. Addendum 1 attached to Exhibit E attached to Exhibit 1 is highly confidential financial information and data of Otter Tail.

The pages of Exhibits A, B, C, and E attached to Exhibit 1, are all marked confidential.

2. The exhibits must be protected for the life of this docket. When the docket is closed all protected information must be returned to the respondent.

3. The persons to be notified is: Cary Stephenson, Associate General Counsel, Otter Tail Power Company, 218-739-8956 or such other persons as Otter Tail Power Company may direct.

4. The claim for protection is based on ARSD 20:10:01:39(4) and (6). Exhibits A, B, C, & E attached to Exhibit 1 contain confidential information regarding the electrical services being purchased by Valley Queen that constitute trade secrets, or other confidential research, development, or commercial information protected by SDCL 15-6-26(c)(7). Addendum 1 attached to Exhibit E attached to Exhibit 1 contains highly confidential financial information of Otter Tail that constitute trade secrets, or other confidential research, development, or commercial information protected by SDCL 15-6-26(c)(7), and that the parties agree shall only be available to the Commission, Commission Staff, and Respondents.

Dated this 19th day of April, 2016.



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