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June 15, 2009

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Patty Van Gerpen, Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol-500 East Capitol Street  
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

**Re: In the Matter of the Application of Otter Tail Corporation d/b/a Otter Tail Power Company for Authority to Increase Electric Rates in South Dakota  
Docket No. EL08-030**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached for filing with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission in the above-referenced Docket is Otter Tail Power Company's revised Section 10.01 Small General Service Under 20 kW rate schedule. During a review of the rate schedules, it was discovered that the last sentence in the Terms and Conditions section on Sheet 2 of Section 10.01 was not needed and should be removed. The requirements of Section 10.01 require a customer to maintain a demand of less than 20 kW in order to continue taking service under this rate. If a customer demand exceeds 20 kW, the customer will be required to take service under Section 10.02 General Service 20 kW and greater. The requirements for taking service under Section 10.02 are outlined in Section 10.02 and should not be included in Section 10.01. Removing this sentence from Section 10.01 provides clarity to the requirements of customers taking service under Section 10.01.

Otter Tail Power Company respectfully requests the Commission consider this change to Section 10.01 in Docket EL08-030 along with the other considerations in this Docket.

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Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Bruce Gerhardson at 218-998-7108 or at [bgerhardson@otpc.com](mailto:bgerhardson@otpc.com), or Ron Spangler at 218-739-8838 or at [rlspangler@otpc.com](mailto:rlspangler@otpc.com).

Sincerely,

/s/ BRUCE GERHARDSON

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Enclosures



**SMALL GENERAL SERVICE**  
 Under 20 kW

DESCRIPTION	RATE CODE
Metered Service under 20 kW – Secondary Service	70-404
Metered Service under 20 kW – Primary Service	70-405

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Terms and conditions of this tariff and the General Rules and Regulations govern use of this schedule.

**APPLICATION OF SCHEDULE:** This schedule is applicable to three phase Residential Customers, and both single and three phase nonresidential Customers. This schedule is not applicable for energy for resale, nor for municipal outdoor lighting. Emergency and supplementary/standby service will be supplied only as allowed by law.

**RATE:**

SECONDARY SERVICE			PRIMARY SERVICE		
<b>Customer Charge per Month:</b>	\$12.00			\$12.00	
<b>Monthly Minimum Bill:</b>	Customer Charge			Customer Charge	
<b>Energy Charge per kWh:</b>	Summer	Winter	Summer	Winter	
<b>First 2,000</b>	9.081 ¢/kWh	8.284 ¢/kWh	9.041 ¢/kWh	8.247 ¢/kWh	
<b>Excess</b>	7.562 ¢/kWh	6.765 ¢/kWh	7.528 ¢/kWh	6.735 ¢/kWh	

**MANDATORY AND VOLUNTARY RIDERS:** The amount of a bill for service will be modified by any Mandatory Rate Riders that must apply or Voluntary Rate Riders selected by the Customer, unless otherwise noted in this rider. See Sections 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00 of the South Dakota electric rates for the matrices of riders.

**DEFINITIONS OF SEASONS:**

Summer: June 1 through September 30.

Winter: October 1 through May 31.



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**TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** A Customer may remain on the Small General Service schedule as long as the Customer's maximum demand is less than 20 kW. When the Customer achieves an actual demand of 20 kW or greater, the Customer will be placed on the General Service schedule (Section 10.02) in the next billing month.

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<b><u>Customer Charge per Month:</u></b>	\$1012.00		\$1012.00	
<b><u>Monthly Minimum Bill:</u></b>	Customer + Facilities Charge		Customer + Facilities Charge	
<b><u>Facilities Charge per Month:</u></b>	\$3.00		\$2.00	
<b><u>Energy Charge per kWh:</u></b>	<u>Summer</u>	<u>Winter</u>	<u>Summer</u>	<u>Winter</u>
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