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Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director SD Public Utilities Commission 500 E. Capitol Ave. Pierre, SD 57501

Re: EL12-039 – In the Matter of the Filing by Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of Tariff Revisions

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On May 24, 2012, Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail or Company) submitted for Commission approval a revised Section 16.00, Sheet Nos. 1 and 4 of its Tariff Book. The municipal service agreements, currently listed as contracts with deviations, between Otter Tail and the Town of Brandt and the Town of Wentworth will expire on July 1. The new agreements for municipal services bring rates within Otter Tail's current tariff on file with the Commission, and the requested revisions remove the expired agreements from Otter Tail's Summary of Contracts with Deviations.

Upon review of the filing, Commission Staff recommends approval of the tariff revisions.

Sincerely,

. Matthew Tysdal Staff Analyst