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

**RE: In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Transmission Cost Recovery Rider.  
Docket Nos. EL12-054, EL13-029  
Annual Report Compliance Filing – 30 Day Extension Request**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

In Otter Tail Power Company's ("Otter Tail's") 2012 Transmission Cost Recovery Rider (TCRR) Annual Update (Docket No. EL12-054), the Settlement Stipulation and related Order approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") in that Docket required Otter Tail to make the following annual compliance filing:

Stipulation Paragraph 8....

*8. Annual Reports of South Dakota Jurisdictional Earnings. The Parties agree that, by June 1 of each year, beginning June 1, 2013, OTP will file with the Commission a report of its South Dakota jurisdictional earnings (Cost of Service Study) for the preceding calendar year showing, among other things, the overall rate of return and ROE earned, and the South Dakota revenue excess or deficiency based on the ROE reflected in the last general rate case. The determination will be presented on an actual and weather normalized basis and will reflect South Dakota ratemaking practices.*

The Annual Report obligation was re-affirmed in the Settlement Stipulation included with the Order approved by the Commission in Otter Tail's most recent TCRR Update in Docket EL13-029.

Otter Tail fulfilled its compliance obligation in Docket EL12-054 when it submitted its 2012 Annual Report on May 31, 2013. Otter Tail's next compliance filing to submit the 2013 Annual Report is due June 1, 2014.

**30 Day Extension Request for 2013 Annual Report**

Due to some current programming work being completed in the software that is used to calculate Otter Tail's jurisdictional Cost of Service Studies (COSS), the 2013 South Dakota COSS information may not be available in time to meet the June 1 date for the annual report filing. Otter Tail respectfully requests a 30 day extension to July 1, 2014 to complete this programming work and allow adequate time for compilation and review of the South Dakota COSS, and preparation and submission of the 2013 Annual Report. When filed, the 2013 Annual Report will be submitted as a compliance filing in both Docket Nos. EL12-054 and EL13-029.

Pursuant to Administrative Rules of South Dakota ("ARSD") Part 20:10:01:02:05, this filing has been electronically submitted to the Commission.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (218) 739-8279 or [stommerdahl@otpc.com](mailto:stommerdahl@otpc.com).

Sincerely,

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