STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of Otter Tail Power Company for Authority to Increase Rates for Electric Service in South Dakota Case No. EL18-021

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY NOTICE OF INTERIM RATE INCREASE

On September 17, 2018, Otter Tail Power Company submitted to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission its Notice of Intent to Implement Interim Rates in the Company's pending electric rate case to be effective October 18, 2018. The interim rate will affect all electric Customers in the Company's South Dakota service area. The rates and South Dakota rules and regulations are available in this office for inspection.

The interim rate increase will result in a net annual increase of non-fuel electric revenues of \$3.3M, or 10.1 percent. The interim rate increase, which applies to the customer charge, energy charge, demand charge, facilities charge, fixed charge, and the monthly minimum charge, will begin with billings on and after October 18, 2018. For most customers, that means only a *portion* of their *first* electric service statements after October 18, 2018, will reflect the increase. When average residential customers using 927 kwh of electricity get their first statements reflecting a *full* month at the interim rate, they will see an increase of \$11.29. When average commercial customers using 2,604 kwh of electricity get their first statements reflecting a *full* month at the interim rate, they will see an increase of \$24.16. Customers will see more or less of an increase depending on the amount of electricity they use and the rate(s) on which they take service.

If you have any questions regarding the Company's interim rate increase, visit **otpco.com/SDRateReview** or call 800-257-4044.