

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY OTTER) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF
TAIL POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF) REVISIONS
TARIFF REVISIONS)
) EL04-001

On January 9, 2004, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) for approval of tariff revisions regarding a Contract with Deviations with the City of Erwin on less than 30 days notice. A new contract replaces a contract between the parties which terminates on February 1, 2004. The new contract does not deviate from Otter Tail's filed tariff. This filing removes the contract from the summary list of contracts with deviations. Otter Tail filed the following tariff sheet for Commission approval:

Section No. 4, Eighth Revised Sheet No. 2, Cancelling Seventh Revised Sheet No. 2

At its January 20, 2004, meeting, the Commission considered the request for approval of the revised tariff sheet. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10, and 49-34A-11. Further, the Commission finds that Otter Tail's request for approval of tariff revisions is just and reasonable and shall be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that the request seeking approval of tariff revisions on less than 30 days notice is in the public interest and is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED, that the above referenced tariff sheet is effective for service rendered on and after February 1, 2004.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 28th day of January, 2004.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
By: <u><i>Delaine Kolbo</i></u>
Date: <u>1/28/04</u>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Robert K. Sahr
ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner