

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT REQUEST) FOR AN ELECTRIC SERVICE RIGHTS) EXCEPTION BETWEEN OTTER TAIL POWER) COMPANY AND WHETSTONE VALLEY) ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.)	ORDER PERMITTING WITHDRAWAL OF FILING AND CLOSING DOCKET EL08-009
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On April 1, 2008, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an Application from Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) for approval of a service rights exception to serve a customer's pump site location in Section 12, Township 120, Range 48 of Alban Township in Grant County, South Dakota, which is located in Whetstone Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. territory.

On May 14, 2008, OTP requested that its filing be withdrawn.

At its regularly scheduled May 20, 2008, meeting, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A. The Commission found that OTP's request to withdraw its filing is reasonable and closed the docket. It is therefore

ORDERED, that OTP shall be permitted to withdraw its filing, and it is further

ORDERED, that this docket is closed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 28th day of May, 2008.

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, electronically.
By: <u> Daleine Kolbo </u>
Date: <u> 5/29/08 </u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

 Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Chairman

 Steve Kolbeck
STEVE KOLBECK, Commissioner

 Dustin M. Johnson
DUSTIN M. JOHNSON, Commissioner