

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT FILED) BY VALLEY QUEEN CHEESE FACTORY,) INC., MILBANK, SOUTH DAKOTA, AGAINST) OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY REGARDING) AN ELECTRIC SERVICE DISPUTE)	ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF ARSD 20:10:01:09 CE15-001
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On May 20, 2015, Valley Queen Cheese Factory, Inc. (Valley Queen) filed a Complaint with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting that the Commission find that Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) breached its electric service contract with Valley Queen, failed to fulfill its tariff and regulatory duties and legal obligations, failed to allow Valley Queen to select rate options, and caused monetary damages to Valley Queen of at least one million four hundred thousand dollars (\$1,400,000), order Otter Tail to pay Valley Queen all damages arising from the alleged breach of contract and failure to fulfill its tariff and regulatory duties and legal obligations, together with interest thereon, Valley Queen's costs and disbursements, and order any other relief the Commission deems appropriate.

Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:09, an answer to the Complaint must be filed within twenty days from the date of service of the Complaint. On June 17, 2015, a Stipulation and Request for Waiver of ARSD 20:10:01:09 was filed by the Commission's staff, having been signed by all of the parties to the docket. The parties agree that it is in the best interest of judicial economy to delay the deadline for filing an answer until July 7, 2015. It is therefore

ORDERED, that a waiver of ARSD 20:10:01:09 is granted. It is further

ORDERED, that Otter Tail shall file an answer to the Complaint on or before July 7, 2015.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 17th day of June, 2015.

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 or by mail.
By: <u>[Signature]</u>
Date: <u>6/17/15</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

[Signature: Chris Nelson]

CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

[Signature: Kristie Fiegen]

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

[Signature: Gary Hanson]

GARY HANSON, Commissioner