

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY) ORDER APPROVING 2013 ENERGY
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY) EFFICIENCY PLAN REPORT AND 2014
REGARDING ITS 2013 REPORT) ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLAN UPDATE
AND 2014 ENERGY EFFICIENCY)
PLAN UPDATE) EL14-039**

On May 1, 2013, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) regarding its 2013 Energy Efficiency Plan (EEP) results. With the report, Otter Tail requested approval of the 2013 financial incentive allowance of \$84,000 and also proposed to leave the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Rider of \$0.00103/kWh unchanged.

On May 8, 2014, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 23, 2014, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On June 26, 2014, Otter Tail filed its responses to the Commission's staff's (Staff) data requests. On August 15, 2014, Staff filed its Memorandum regarding its analysis and recommendations for Docket EL 14-039.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, and 49-34A-8.2.

At the Commission's regularly scheduled meeting on August 19, 2014, the Commission considered this matter. Staff recommended approval of Otter Tail's 2013 Status Report, 2013 financial incentive, and proposal to leave the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Rider unchanged. Finding that Otter Tail's request for approval of its 2013 EEP Results, 2013 Financial Incentive allowance of \$84,000, and proposal to leave the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Rider of \$0.00103/kWh unchanged is just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the request and proposal. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Otter Tail's 2013 EEP Status Report and 2013 Financial Incentive are hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED, that Otter Tail's Energy Efficiency Adjustment Rider shall remain unchanged at \$0.00103/kWh.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 26th day of August, 2014.

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>Joy Lashley</u>
Date: <u>8.26.14</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Chairman

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner