BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF OTTER TAIL
POWER COMPANY'S 2015 SOUTH
DAKOTA ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLAN
STATUS REPORT AND 2016 ANNUAL
FILING TO UPDATE THE ENERGY
EFFICIENCY ADJUSTMENT RIDER

ORDER APPROVING 2015 ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLAN STATUS REPORT AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY ADJUSTMENT RIDER

EL16-019

On April 29, 2016, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail). Otter Tail filed its 2015 Energy Efficiency Plan (EEP) Status Report and 2016 Annual Filing to Update the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor. Specifically, Otter Tail requests approval its 2015 Status Report, the 2015 financial incentive of \$105,900, and the proposed Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor of \$0.00114/kWh with an effective date of July 1, 2016. The revised Energy Efficiency Adjustment Rider tariff sheet is as follows:

South Dakota P.U.C Volume II, Electric Rate Schedule

Section 13.04 Fifth Revised Sheet No. 1

Cancelling Fourth Revised Sheet No. 1

On May 5, 2016, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 20, 2016, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listsery. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On June 2, 2016, Otter Tail filed its responses to Commission's Staff's (Staff) data requests. On June 17, 2016, Staff filed its Memorandum regarding its analysis and recommendations for the docket. On June 17, 2016, Otter Tail filed a Revised Appendix A.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-8.2, 49-34A-8.4, 49-34A-10, and 49-34A-11.

At the Commission's regularly scheduled meeting on June 21, 2016, the Commission considered this matter. Staff recommended approval of: 1) Otter Tail's 2015 Status Report subject to Otter Tail making a compliance filing that provides the benefit-cost models used to create the Revised Appendix A, 2) the 2015 financial incentive of \$105,900, and 3) the proposed Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor of \$0.00114/kWh with a July 1, 2016, effective date. Finding that Otter Tail's request for approval of its 2015 EEP Status Report, 2015 financial incentive, and proposed Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor is just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Otter Tail's request. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Otter Tail's 2015 Energy Efficiency Status Report is hereby approved, subject to Otter Tail filing the benefit-cost models used to create the revised Appendix A. It is further

ORDERED, that the financial incentive of \$105,900 is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED, that Otter Tail's Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor of \$0.00114/kWh and associated tariff sheet as set forth above are hereby approved with an effective date of July 1, 2016.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this day of June, 2016.

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: Haren E. Vremor

Date June 24, 2016

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

GARY HANSON, Commissioner