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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

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**Re: In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Petition for
Approval of the Annual Rate Update to Rate Schedule, Section 13.05,
Transmission Cost Recovery Rider
Docket No. EL13-_____**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed please find Otter Tail Power Company's Petition to the South Dakota Public Service Commission for approval of its annual update to its Transmission Cost Recovery Rider ("TCR") rate. Also enclosed is our Request for Confidential Treatment of Information.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at 218-739-8279 or stommerdahl@otpc.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ STUART TOMMERDAHL
Stuart Tommerdahl
Manager, Regulatory Administration

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By electronic filing