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January 14, 2014

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

## **RE:** In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's Rates for Small Power Production and Cogeneration.

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Otter Tail Power Company ("Otter Tail") submits this filing for approval of updates to Otter Tail's Small Power Producer Riders, Sections 12.01, 12.02, and 12.03 of our Tariff Book. These rate schedules set forth the rates under which Otter Tail is obligated to purchase energy and capacity from qualifying facilities.

In this filing, Otter Tail is proposing to update the energy and capacity payments, and the renewable energy credit values. The Small Power Producer Payment Schedules were last updated in a filing made on December 31, 2012, Docket No, EL12-064.

The date of this filing is January 14, 2014. The proposed effective date, with Commission approval, for these rates is with billings on or after March 1, 2014. As directed by Order F-3365, Otter Tail plans to file the Small Power Producer rates every two years or annually as warranted.

Pursuant to South Dakota Codified Laws Section 49-34A-10 and Administrative Rules of South Dakota ("ARSD") Part 20:10:01:02:05, this filing has been electronically submitted to the Commission.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (218) 739-8606 or dopatz@otpco.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ DEBRA K. OPATZ Debra K. Opatz Pricing Analyst Regulatory Administration

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