

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

Docket No. EL16-035

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In the Matter of Otter Tail Power  
Company's South Dakota Annual  
Jurisdictional Report

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**REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION**

Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) requests the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) approve confidential treatment for the below-identified information pursuant to Administrative Rules of South Dakota (ARSD) § 20:10:01:41.

1. Otter Tail requests confidential protection and treatment of the confidential portions of the South Dakota Annual Jurisdictional Report. The confidential portions are the following attachments to the Application:

- Exhibit 5
- Exhibit 6
- Addendum 4

The information is marked "CONFIDENTIAL."

2. The documents must be protected for the life of this docket. When the docket is closed, all protected information must be returned to Otter Tail.

3. Please refer all inquiries regarding this filing to:

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4. The claim for protection is based on ARSD § 20:10:01:39 (4) and SDCL § 37-29-1 (4). The information contained within the confidential portions of Exhibit 5 and 6 and Addendum 4 of our South Dakota Jurisdictional Report Tariff meets the definition of "trade

secret” under the SDCL § 37-29-1(4), the South Dakota Uniform Trade Secret Act, which defines the term as information that “Derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use, and... is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy.”

The information for which confidential treatment is requested has been marked “CONFIDENTIAL” and is being transmitted electronically as a separate document.

Date: May 31, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY

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