

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF OTTER TAIL POWER)
COMPANY'S 2021 SOUTH DAKOTA)
ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLAN STATUS)
REPORT AND 2022 ANNUAL FILING TO)
UPDATE THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY)
ADJUSTMENT RIDER)

ORDER APPROVING 2021 ENERGY
EFFICIENCY PLAN STATUS REPORT,
FINANCIAL INCENTIVE, AND ENERGY
EFFICIENCY ADJUSTMENT RIDER

EL22-011

On May 2, 2022, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) requesting approval of its 2021 Energy Efficiency Plan (EEP) Status Report and 2022 Annual Filing to Update the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Rider. Specifically, Otter Tail requests that the Commission approve its 2021 Status Report, the 2021 financial incentive of \$278,101, and its proposal that the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor remain at \$0.00195/kWh for July 2022 through June 2023.

On May 5, 2022, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 20, 2022, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On May 18, 2022, Otter Tail filed responses to Commission staff's data requests. On June 2, 2022, Commission staff filed a Memorandum regarding its recommendation in this matter.

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 June 8, 2022, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval of 1) Otter Tail's 2021 financial incentive of \$278,101, 2) Otter Tail's 2021 Energy Efficiency Plan Status Report, and 3) the request that the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor remain at \$0.00195/kWh for July 2022 through June 2023. Finding that Otter Tail's request for approval of its 2021 financial incentive, 2021 EEP Status Report, and unchanged Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor is just and reasonable, with the exception of the Appliance Recycling program, which the Commission found not to be cost-effective, the Commission voted unanimously to approve Otter Tail's request with the exception for the removal of the Appliance Recycling program from Otter Tail's Energy Efficiency Plan. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Otter Tail's 2021 EEP Status Report, the 2021 financial incentive of \$278,101, and the proposal that the Energy Efficiency Adjustment Factor remain at \$0.00195/kWh for July 2022 through June 2023, are hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED, that the Otter Tail remove the Appliance Recycling program from the Energy Efficiency Plan.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 9th day of June 2022.

<p align="center">CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</p> <p>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.</p> <p>By: <u>Karen E. Cremer</u></p> <p>Date: <u>06/09/22</u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner