

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY OTTER  
TAIL POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL  
TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND CREDIT  
CARD FEES**

) **ORDER TO TEMPORARILY**  
) **SUSPEND CREDIT CARD**  
) **FEES**  
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) **EL22-016**

On June 29, 2022, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a request from Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) for Approval to Temporarily Suspend Credit Card Fees due to Otter Tail's current digital payment system not being able to distinguish which state customers' electric accounts are in when paying with a credit card. Otter Tail states the suspension of convenience fees for credit card users would extend until a new payment system can be set up to differentiate which state each customer's account is in and apply the convenience fee appropriately.

On June 30, 2022, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 1, 2022, to interested persons and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on July 5, 2022, the Commission considered this matter. Finding South Dakota ratepayers would be held harmless from a temporary suspension, the Commission voted unanimously to allow Otter Tail to temporarily suspend credit card fees, effective July 1, 2022, on less than 30 days' notice. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Otter Tail may temporarily suspend credit card fees, effective July 1, 2022, on less than 30 days' notice.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022.

**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: Adam DeHueck

Date: 7/7/22

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

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