OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY Docket No: EL23-027

Response to: SD Public Utilities Commission Analyst: Pat Steffensen Date Received: October 02, 2023 Date Due: October 17, 2023 Date of Response: October 17, 2023 Responding Witness: Matthew J. Olsen, Manager, Regulatory Strategy/Compliance, (218) 739-8657

Data Request:

Did Otter Tail have to propose similar variances in Minnesota and North Dakota to allow it to remove the beginning and ending meter reads from customer bills? If so, provide an update on the status of these requests. If a Commission decision has been ordered, provide copies of the orders that explain the Commission decision.

Attachments: 0

Response:

Otter Tail did propose similar variances in all three states regarding the removal of beginning and ending meter reads from customer bills.

The Minnesota Public Utilities Commission's Order dated September 25, 2023 is provided as Attachment 1 to DR SD-PUC-01.07. The variance is discussed on pages 2-3, and Order Point 5 grants Otter Tail's requested variance.

The North Dakota Public Service Commission, in a work session held on October 11, 2023, requested more information from Otter Tail on the proposed customer bill variance before making a final decision.