

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

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF OTTER )</b>	<b>ORDER APPROVING 2025</b>
<b>TAIL POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF )</b>	<b>TRANSMISSION COST</b>
<b>THE TRANSMISSION COST RECOVERY )</b>	<b>RECOVERY RATE</b>
<b>RIDER RATE )</b>	<b>ADJUSTMENT</b>
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)	<b>EL24-034</b>

On November 1, 2024, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) for approval of its annual update to its Transmission Cost Recovery Rider (TCR) rate. Otter Tail's petition updates its TCR rates to collect revenue requirements over the 12-month recovery period of March 2025 through February 2026. This update includes actual investment costs, expenses, and revenues associated with existing projects and approved recovery items through September 2024, updated forecast information for the remainder of the current recovery period that ends February 29, 2025, and forecasted information for the proposed recovery period ending February 28, 2026. No new projects are included in this annual update. Otter Tail updates the D2 allocation factor to include all load changes in compliance with the order in docket EL21-031. Otter Tail states that residential customers using 1,000 kWh per month will see a bill increase of approximately \$0.42. Otter Tail proposes a rate implementation date of March 1, 2025, is as follows:

South Dakota P.U.C. Volume II - Electric Rate Schedule

Section No. 13.05

Seventeenth Revised Sheet No. 1

Cancelling Sixteenth Revised Sheet No. 1

On November 7, 2024, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of November 22, 2024, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On November 7, 2024, Otter Tail filed a Request for Confidential Treatment. On February 7, 2025, Commission Staff filed its memorandum.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A-25.1 through 49-34A-25.4.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on February 11, 2025, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval of the revenue requirement and rates proposed in Otter Tail's filing and associated tariff revision, effective March 1, 2025. Finding the revisions to be just and reasonable, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the revisions effective March 1, 2025. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Otter Tail's revised TCR rates are hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED that the above-referenced tariff sheet is hereby approved with an effective date of March 1, 2025.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

**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.

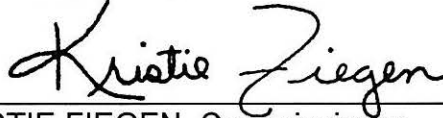
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner



KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner