

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

In the Matter of Otter Tail Power
Company's Petition for Approval
of an Electric Service Agreement
for Big Stone South Energy Storage
Project, LLC and associated Tariff
Revisions

Docket No. EL-25-

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION

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

1. Otter Tail Power requests confidential protection and treatment of the confidential Exhibits C, D and E, and confidential statements on pages 1, 2, 5, and 6 of the Petition. The trade secret exhibits, and the Petition are marked "CONFIDENTIAL – CONTAINS TRADE SECRET DATA."

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 Power.

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 the Petition and in the confidential Exhibits meet 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 "[d]erives 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 confidential attachments and confidential portions of the Petition contain proprietary business information, sensitive customer information, pricing information, and components of a formula to derive an agreed upon fixed component of a rate, which Otter Tail Power does not disclose to the public. Accordingly, Otter Tail Power respectfully requests that the Commission authorize confidential protection and treatment of this information.

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

Date: April 21, 2025

Respectfully submitted,

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