

Attachment E  
Request for Confidential Treatment

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

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**In the Matter of Otter Tail Power  
Company's Petition for Approval of  
a Thermal Technology Market  
Energy Rate Section 14.16**

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**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 information included on pages 5 and 6 of the Petition. The trade secret exhibits, and the Petition are marked "CONFIDENTIAL – CONTAINS TRADE SECRET DATA."
2. The document 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 meets 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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