

OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY

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Response to: SD Public Utilities Commission

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Data Request:

Refer to the chart on page 3 of the Status Report. What caused the actual cumulative participation to decrease from 667 in 2023 to 665 in 2024 when 32 participants were added?

Attachments: 0

Response:

The Air Conditioning Control Program consists of two types of residential participants – controlled rate and “Cool Savings” customers who have a receiver installed on their air conditioner.

Otter Tail Power incorrectly included 7 small commercial customers in the 32 new participant number. These customers are not included in the total 665 customers and savings are not claimed for these customers under the program.

The corrected number of new participants added to the program was 25, which consisted of 5 new receiver locations, 7 new controlled rate locations, and 13 locations that were previously on a controlled rate but now have a new account number associated with the premises.

Between the 2023 and 2024 program years, 10 participant accounts left the controlled rate portion of the program, 13 controlled rate locations switched account holders, and 4 “Cool Savings” participants left the program, resulting in a net loss of 2 participants between program years.

<b>Program Year 2023</b>	
Year End Participants Cool Savings	246
Year End Participants Controlled Rate	421
<b>Total Residential</b>	<b>667</b>

<b>Program Year 2024</b>	
Year End Participants Cool Savings	247
Year End Participants Controlled Rate	418
<b>Total Residential</b>	<b>665</b>

<b>2024 Participation Changes</b>	
Cool Savings Lost	-4
Cool Savings Added	5
Controlled Rate Lost	-10
Controlled Rate Added	7
Controlled Rate Move Out	-13
Controlled Rate Moved In	13
<b>Total Participant Change</b>	<b>-2</b>