

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF	)	ORDER AMENDING MARCH 12,
OTTER TAIL POWER COMPANY FOR	)	2026 COMMISSION ORDER;
AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS ELECTRIC	)	ORDER APPROVING AMENDED
RATES IN SOUTH DAKOTA	)	TARIFF REVISIONS ON LESS
	)	THAN 30 DAYS' NOTICE
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	)	EL25-022

On June 4, 2025, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application by Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) for approval to increase rates for electric service to customers in its South Dakota service territory. Otter Tail requested a net revenue increase of \$5,719,671 annually or approximately 12.5% based on Otter Tail's 2024 historic test year. Otter Tail stated a typical residential electric customer using 932 kWh would see a bill increase of \$14.39 per month. The proposed changes may affect approximately 11,500 electric customers in Otter Tail's South Dakota service territory.

On June 5, 2025, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 17, 2025, to interested persons and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. As of the date of this order, no petitions to intervene were filed. On March 2, 2026, Otter Tail and staff filed a Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement Stipulation, and a Settlement Stipulation, including Otter Tail's Interim Rate Refund Plan, and staff filed a Staff Memorandum Supporting Settlement Stipulation. On March 12, 2026, the Commission issued an Order Approving Settlement Stipulation; Interim Refund Plan; Order Approving Tariff Revisions. On September 22, 2026, Otter Tail filed a letter regarding Amended Settlement to correct meter charges in Section 13.09 of the approved tariff. Otter Tail requests approval on less than 30 days' notice.

The revised tariff sheet proposed by Otter Tail, effective for service rendered on and after October 7, 2026, is as follows:

South Dakota P.U.C Volume II

Section 13.09

Sixth Revised Sheet No. 3

Cancelling Fifth Sheet No. 3

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-34A, ARSD 20:10:13, and applicable provisions of SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 15-6.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on October 6, 2026, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission heard from Otter Tail and Commission staff concerning the Amended Settlement Stipulation and revised tariff sheet to be effective on less than 30 days' notice. Having thoroughly reviewed the filings in the docket and after having made further extensive inquiry of the parties, the Commission found that the requested revisions to correct the tariff sheet were just, reasonable, and in the public interest and that good and sufficient cause was demonstrated to approve the revised tariff sheet on less than 30 days' notice. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the Amend its March 12, 2026 Order to incorporate the corrected tariff sheet as requested and revised tariff sheet on less than 30 days' notice. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission's March 12, 2026 Order is hereby amended as requested to correct the aforementioned tariff sheet. It is further

ORDERED, that the revised tariff sheet is approved on less than 30 days' notice with an effective date of October 7, 2026.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 10th day of October 2026.

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.

By: Kristie Fiegen

Date: October 2026

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

Kristie Fiegen

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson

GARY HANSON, Commissioner