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VIA E-MAIL

FROM: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

### NOTICE OF COMPLAINT, DEADLINE FOR ANSWER

RE: EL25-026 - In the Matter of the Complaint of Valley Queen Cheese Factory, Inc. Against Otter Tail Power Company

You are hereby notified that the attached Complaint and related attachments as referenced above have been filed with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission against your company. The Complaint having been served upon you via email on July 9, 2025, pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:09, you have twenty days after service in which to satisfy the complaint or file an answer in writing, unless the Commission grants an extension of this time limit.

Therefore, if a settlement is not reached, **your answer must be filed with the Commission by July 29, 2025.** The filing of an answer does not foreclose the settlement of the complaint if you choose to compromise or otherwise settle this matter. In the event the Complaint is not resolved, a procedural schedule for an evidentiary hearing in front of the Commission will be set.

Please contact Commission Staff assigned to this docket with any questions.

Sincerely,

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