

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY OTTER ) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF  
TAIL POWER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF ) REVISIONS  
TARIFF REVISIONS )  
 ) EL04-002

On February 2, 2004, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) for approval of tariff revisions regarding a Contract with Deviations with the City of White Rock. On February 5, 2004, the Commission received a request from Otter Tail by electronic mail that the filing be approved on less than 30 days notice. A new contract replaces a contract between the parties which terminates on March 1, 2004. The new contract does not deviate from Otter Tail's filed tariff. This filing removes the contract from the summary list of contracts with deviations. Otter Tail filed the following tariff sheet for Commission approval:

Section No. 4, Seventh Revised Sheet No. 4, Cancelling Sixth Revised Sheet No. 4

At its February 17, 2004, meeting, the Commission considered the request for approval of the revised tariff sheet. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10, and 49-34A-11. Further, the Commission finds that Otter Tail's request for approval of tariff revisions is just and reasonable and shall be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that the request seeking approval of tariff revisions on less than 30 days notice is in the public interest and is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED, that the above referenced tariff sheet is effective for service rendered on and after March 1, 2004.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2004.

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, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.	
By:	<u>Helaine Kolbo</u>
Date:	<u>2/26/04</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)	

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Robert K. Sahr  
ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

James A. Burg  
JAMES A. BURG, Commissioner