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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Thank you for your March 18, 2009, request of the designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings to conduct a hearing in the matter of Otter Tail Corporation, PU-08-742. I hereby designate Al Wahl to be assigned as temporary administrative law judge to conduct the hearing in regard to this matter. Because the temporary administrative law judge will not be making recommended findings of fact and conclusions of law, or issuing a recommended order, the person or persons who will be making the final administrative decision in regard to this matter (*i.e.*, the commission) must be in attendance at the hearing.

Please send all additional relevant documents (correspondence, and other pleadings and documents) to the designated temporary administrative law judge at 138 Edmonton Drive, Bismarck, ND 58503. I understand the hearing is scheduled for May 11, 2009, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in the Commission hearing room at the State Capitol. Because the temporary administrative law judge is requested to conduct the hearing only, the agency must give proper notice of the hearing.

Your request has been assigned OAH File No. 20090095. Please include this number on all future documents and correspondence filed for this matter with the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Sincerely,

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for Allen C. Hoberg, Director

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