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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Darrell Nitschke
Director of Administration/Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol - 12th Floor
Bismarck, ND 58505

SUBJECT: Notifying the Commission of Major Service Interruptions –
Annual Summary for 2008.

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Attached is Otter Tail Power Company's Annual Summary of Major Service Interruptions for North Dakota for the 2008 calendar year.

Enclosed is an original and seven copies of the Annual Summary. An electronic copy of this Summary is also being sent to you at dnitschk@nd.gov and to the North Dakota Public Service Commission at ndpsc@nd.gov.

If you have any questions feel free to call me at 218-739-8395 or e-mail me at jheinen@otpco.com.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Judy Heinen'.

Judy Heinen
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Major Service Interruptions Annual Summary for 2008

Otter Tail Corporation

**Otter Tail Power Company
Annual Service Outage Report
For the year of 2008**

Background

In August, 2005 Otter Tail Power Company (“Otter Tail”) agreed to provide the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“the Commission”) with outage information that entailed outages within North Dakota that affected 500 or more customers for an hour or more. This is a procedure that has been in place for the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, and has also been adopted by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Annual Summary – 2008

In 2008, there were 4 outages that met the reporting criteria for notifying the Commission of major service interruptions.

June 6, 2008 --- Jamestown Customer Service Center. A thunderstorm moved through the area resulting in damage due to high winds. The cities of Cleveland, Medina, Windsor, Eldridge, and Streeter (622 customers) experienced an outage of 1 hour and 17 minutes. The city of Jamestown (1,475 customers) experienced an outage of 2 hours and 1 minute.

June 11, 2008 --- Jamestown Customer Service Center. At approximately 4:30 AM a thunderstorm moved through Otter Tail’s North Dakota Service Area. The following towns were affected by the damage caused by this storm: Litchville (162 customers), Hastings (30 customers), and Kathryn (61 customers). By 4:30 PM all towns were restored with the exception of a few isolated customers. Service was restored to the isolated customers by early evening on June 11, 2008.

July 7, 2008--- Jamestown Customer Service Center. Around 6:00 AM a large tree branch fell into a line and caused an outage in the south east part of Jamestown affecting approximately 568 customers for 1 hour 30 minutes.

August 26, 2008 --- Jamestown Customer Service Center. An outage caused by a fault on an underground main feed occurred in the northwest section of Jamestown. This outage affected 830 customers and lasted approximately 3 hours and 41 minutes.