

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Otter Tail Power Company  
2014 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery  
Factor Adjustment  
Tariff

Case No. PU-14-14

**ORDER ON PROTECTION OF INFORMATION**

**October 19, 2016**

On December 31, 2014 Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) filed an application for protection of information pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-09-01 to protect certain trade secret information from public disclosure.

The information for which Otter Tail sought protection was cost information contained in the calculation of Revenue Requirements on Otter Tail's share of the Langdon Wind Energy Center, the Ashtabula Wind Energy Center, and the Luverne Wind Energy Center.

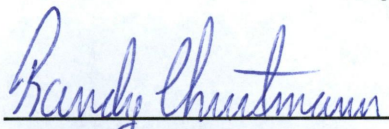
North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-09-03 requires that the Commission staff examine the information and application and make a recommendation to the Commission. Staff has reviewed the request of the Company and finds the issue of "trade secret" protection moot. Staff points out that while the information sought to be protected may have been considered "trade secret" at the time of the application, there is no current discernable independent economic value that may be ascertained from disclosure. Furthermore, historical information has been made available in subsequent filings by Otter Tail. Staff recommends the request be dismissed.

Having reviewed the Company's application and Commission Staff's recommendation, the Commission has determined that the information does not satisfy the requirements of the North Dakota Century Code for protection of information.

**ORDER**

The Commission orders the application of Otter Tail Power Company for Protection of Information is DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE.

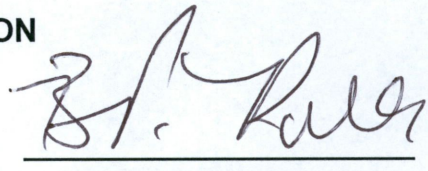
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