

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Otter Tail Power Company
2014 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Adj. Factor
Rates

Case No. PU-14-14

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **21st** day of **October, 2016**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

- **Order on Protection of Information**

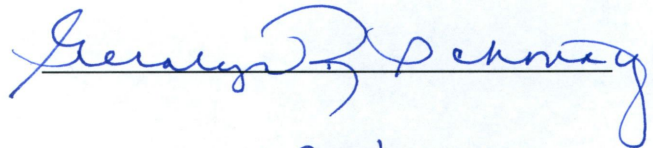
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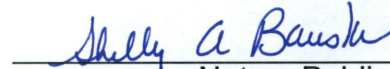
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215 South Cascade Street
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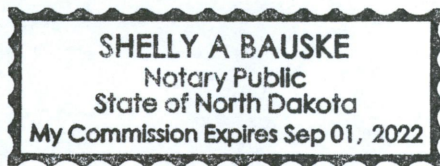
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The addresses shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **21st** day of **October, 2016**.




Notary Public



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2014 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery
Factor Adjustment
Tariff

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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.

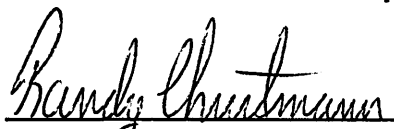
North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-09-03 requires that the Commission staff examine the information and application and make a recommendation to the Commission. Staff has reviewed the request of the Company and finds the issue of "trade secret" protection moot. Staff points out that while 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.

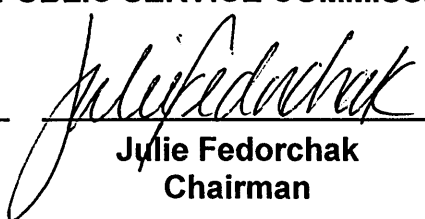
Having reviewed the Company's application and Commission Staff's recommendation, the Commission has determined that the information does not satisfy the requirements of the North Dakota Century Code for protection of information.

ORDER

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

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Randy Christmann
Commissioner


Julie Fedorchak
Chairman


Brian P. Kalk
Commissioner