

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Otter Tail Power Company
2015 Transmission Facility Cost Recovery
Rates

Case No. PU-15-661

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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 **18th day of September, 2015**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

Notice of Opportunity for Hearing

The envelope was addressed as follows:

Bruce Gerhardson – Associate General Counsel
Otter Tail Power Company
PO Box 496
Fergus Falls, MN 56538-0496
Cert. No. 7015 0920 0001 6792 1657

Geralyn R. Schmaltz further deposes and says that on the **18th day of September, 2015**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, containing a photocopy of the same.

The envelope was addressed as follows:

Bryce. C. Haugen
Rates Analyst Regulatory Administration
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Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

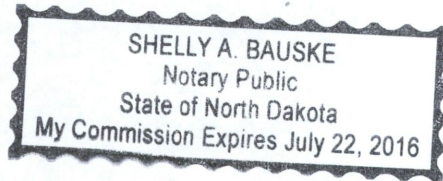
Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **18th day of September, 2015**.

[Handwritten Signature]

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Notary Public

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September 16, 2015

On August 31, 2015, Otter Tail Power Company filed an annual update to its transmission cost recovery rider. This proposed rate increase includes updated electric transmission expenses with offsetting revenues and a true-up amount from the current rate:

<u>Customer Class</u>	<u>Existing Rate</u>	<u>Proposed Rate</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Large Gen. Service	\$2.145/kW	\$2.448	\$0.30300
Controlled Service	\$0.00077 /kWh	\$0.00090	\$0.00013
Lighting Service	\$0.00338 /kWh	\$0.00406	\$0.00068
All Other Service	\$0.00576 /kWh	\$0.00692	\$0.00116

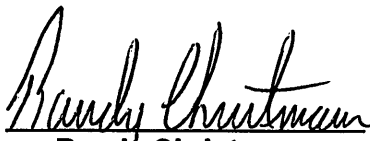
The increase for a typical residential customer without electric space heating using 750 kWh per month would be \$0.87 per month. The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

1. Whether the proposed rate adjustment complies with Otter Tail's tariff,
2. Whether the incurred costs for new or modified electric transmission facilities are reasonable and prudent, and
3. Whether the incurred costs are eligible for recovery through the transmission cost recovery rider.

Those interested are invited to comment on the application in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. **Comments and requests for hearing must be received by October 26, 2015.** If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400 or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify, Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary, 24 hours in advance.

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