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31 March 2016

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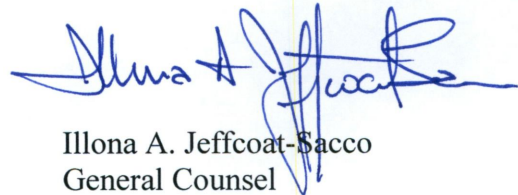
Re: Otter Tail Power Company Case No. PU-16-14
2016 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Adj. Factor
Rates

Dear Mr. Dawson:

Enclosed is a request for an Administrative Law Judge for the captioned case. The public hearing is scheduled 27 April 2016 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Central Time, in the Commission Hearing Room, 12th Floor of the State Capitol, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, North Dakota. A copy of the Notice of Hearing is enclosed.

The Administrative Law Judge will serve as a procedural law judge. If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you.

Best regards,



Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco
General Counsel

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c: w/encl. Bruce Gerhardson



REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE--APPEAL, APPLICATION, OR PETITION
 NORTH DAKOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
 SFN 17819 (Rev. 06-2007)

Name of Agency, Board, or Commission
 North Dakota Public Service Commission

The above named agency, board, or commission requests designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings for the Otter Tail Power Company, 2016 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Adjustment Factor,
Rates, Case No. PU-16-14

(e.g., application of [name], appeal of [name], petition of [name]). Authority for the administrative action is found in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-05 _____ (North Dakota Century Code and/or North Dakota Administrative Code).

Please attach related documents and correspondence.

The administrative action is more fully described as follows:
 On 31 December 2015 Otter Tail Power Company filed a request for approval of its 2016 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Adjustment Factor.

It requests designation of an administrative law judge (please check one):

- To conduct the hearing and issue recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order.
- To serve as a procedural administrative law judge only (no recommended decision). The agency head will be present at the hearing as required by NDCC 28-32-31(5). See NDCC 54-57-04.
- To conduct the hearing, issue findings of fact, conclusions of law, and a final order.

PLEASE MAKE A REQUEST FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE AT LEAST ONE MONTH BEFORE THE HEARING.

Please list parties, including the agency if it is a Party, and Representation [attorney (or other)] if known, or Agency Contact: (Attach separate list if necessary.)

AGENCY See attached	Address	Telephone Number
Representation	Address	Telephone Number
PARTY	Address	Telephone Number
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Additional Comments
 The public hearing is scheduled 27 April 2016 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Central Time, in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th Floor of the State Capitol. A copy of the Notice of Hearing is attached.

(For agencies required to use OAH, notice of hearing will be issued by the administrative law judge, unless a procedural administrative law judge is requested. Other requesting agencies and agencies requesting a procedural administrative law judge should first contact OAH about scheduling a hearing. If notice has already been issued, attach a copy of the notice.)

Typed or Printed Name and Title of Requesting Person Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco, General Counsel	Date 3/31/2016
Signature of Requesting Person X	Telephone Number (701) 328-2407

Attachment
Request for ALJ
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Otter Tail Power Company
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Case No. PU-16-14

NOTICE OF HEARING

March 23, 2016

On December 31, 2015, Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) filed a request for approval of its 2016 Renewable Resource Cost Recovery Adjustment Factor (Renewable Rider) for recovering costs associated with its owned electric generation wind farms, effective April 1, 2016. The proposed change would increase the average monthly cost of service by 1.066% or \$1.08 for customers using 1,000 kWh.

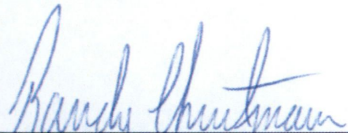
On January 20, 2016, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing.


On February 26, 2016, Otter Tail filed updated cost information for its wind farms. The updated Renewable Rider would increase the average monthly cost of service by 2.985% or \$3.03 for customers using 1,000 kWh.

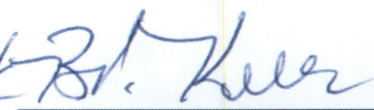
A **Public Hearing** is scheduled to begin **April 27, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. Central Time**, in the Commission Hearing Room on the 12th Floor of the **State Capitol, 600 East Boulevard Ave., Bismarck, North Dakota 58505**. The issue to be considered is whether the updated Renewable Rider or some other level of cost recovery should be adopted by the Commission.

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 the Commission, at least 24 hours in advance.

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