

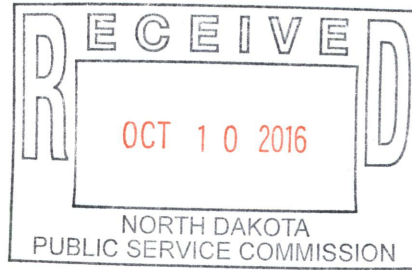
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North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol Building, Dept. 408
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 59505-0480

Re: Otter Tail Power Company
PU-16-14
OAH No. 20160181

Dear Mr. Nitschke,

I understand a final closing letter has been requested in this matter. On May 3, 2016, I wrote and included the Exhibit List reflecting the exhibits offered and admitted in the proceeding and advised that the hearing would close upon receipt of the late-filed exhibit from Otter Tail regarding decommissioning costs. I note that you received the Late-Filed Exhibit Explaining How Decommissioning Costs Are Accounted For in the Renewable Rider, filed at the request of the commission, by email and letter dated May 4, 2016.

On May 5, 2016, I advised that the Late-Filed Exhibit had been admitted into the record and the hearing was closed. I received a copy of the PSC's Order on June 22, 2016. Thus, the hearing closed on May 5, 2016 and the proceedings were concluded on June 22, 2016 with the order.

Sincerely,


Janet Demarais Seaworth
Administrative Law Judge

c: John Hamre

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