

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**In the Matter of the Application of
Otter Tail Power Company for
Authority to Increase Rates for
Electric Service in North Dakota**

Case No. PU-17-398

OAH File No. 20170622

**ORDER GRANTING PETITION TO INTERVENE OF MIDWEST LARGE ENERGY
CONSUMERS GROUP**

1. On or about February 1, 2018, Midwest Large Energy Consumers Group ("MLEC") filed a Petition to Intervene as an intervenor party in the Otter Tail Power Company ("OTP") Electric Rate Increase Application, Case No. PU-17-398, pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-02-05.

2. MLEC states in support of its petition that it has members in North Dakota which are large commercial electric service customers of OTP which take electric service from OTP and might be adversely affected by the proposed rate increase.

3. MLEC desires to advocate on behalf of its members and similarly situated retailers in the case to ensure that rate increases are no higher than a level that is just and reasonable.

4. This intervention would allow MLEC to represent its interests but not unduly delay the proceedings nor would it prejudice the rights of other parties.

5. Section 69-02-01-07 provides that admission as an intervenor shall not be construed as recognition by the commission that the intervenor might be aggrieved by any order of the commission in the proceeding.

**THEREFORE, THE PETITION TO INTERVENE OF MIDWEST LARGE
ENERGY CONSUMERS GROUP IS GRANTED.**

Dated this 5th day of February, 2018.

State of North Dakota
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

By: 

Patrick J. Ward ID#03626

Administrative Law Judge

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that true and correct copies of the following:

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