

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Otter Tail Power Company  
Environmental Cost Recovery Charge (ECRC)  
Rates

Case No. PU-19-292

ORDER

October 22, 2019

Preliminary Statement

On August 1, 2019, Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) filed its annual update to its Environmental Cost Recovery Charge (ECRC) rate.

On August 21, 2019, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, which provided until September 30, 2019 for receiving written comments and hearing requests. No response was received. The notice identified the issue to be considered in this proceeding is whether Otter Tail's proposed ECRC rate is just and reasonable.

Discussion

Otter Tail reports no projects remain in the ECRC account and proposes to zero the ECRC account balance. To accomplish this Otter Tail proposes to increase the ECRC rate from a credit of 0.310 percent to 0.00 percent effective November 1, 2019 and transfer the remaining ECRC tracker account balance to its Renewable Resource Adjustment Rider tracker account. The effect of the rate change on the bill for a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month is an increase of \$0.24 per month.

Having considered this matter, the Commission finds Otter Tail's proposed ECRC rate is just and reasonable and should be approved.

Order

The Commission Orders Otter Tail's proposed ECRC rate and tracker account balance transfer are APPROVED

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Julie Fedorchak  
Commissioner

  
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