

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Case No. PU-19-292

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

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- **Order**

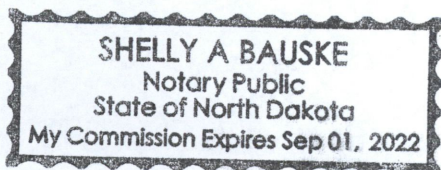
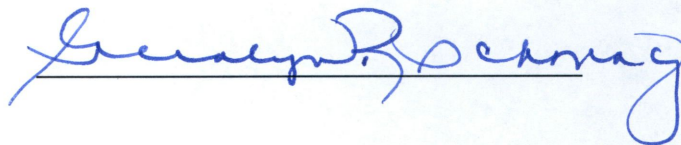
The envelopes were addressed as follows:

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The addresses shown are the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office addresses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **24th day of October 2019**.




Notary Public

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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.

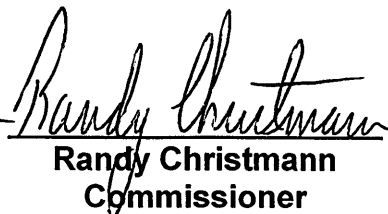
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The Commission Orders Otter Tail's proposed ECRC rate and tracker account balance transfer are APPROVED

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


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Commissioner


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Chairman


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Commissioner