

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Otter Tail Power Company  
69 kV Transmission Segment & Three Substations  
Public Convenience & Necessity

Case No. PU-19-298

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

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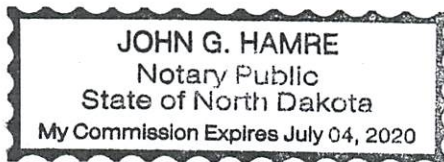
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The envelope was addressed as follows:

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Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this **19th day of December 2019**.



SEAL

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John G. Hamre", written over a horizontal line.

Notary Public

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**December 18, 2019**

Preliminary Statement

August 20, 2019, Otter Tail Power Company filed an Application for Protection of Information to protect certain information in the captioned case.

On November 4, 2019, staff reviewed the request of the Company for protection of information.

Discussion

The information for which the Company seeks protection includes electric one-line diagrams of Critical Energy/Electric Infrastructure Information.

The confidentiality of this information has been maintained by the Company. The information is not disclosed to the public or to persons other than employees or authorized agents who need to know the information to fulfill their responsibilities in connection with the subject matter of the information.

The Company has requested that this, and similar types of this information, be treated as trade secret.

North Dakota Administrative Code section 69-02-09-03 provides "the commission staff shall examine the information and application, and file and serve a response that includes a recommendation on whether the information qualifies for protection."

Staff believes that the application satisfies the requirements of the law, which allows the Commission to grant protection of information in this proceeding.

The Commission concludes the Company's application satisfies the requirements of the North Dakota Century Code for protection of the information, which is the subject of this request.

**Order**

The Commission orders the August 20, 2019, application of Otter Tail Power Company for protection of information is GRANTED.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

  
Julie Fedorchak  
Commissioner

  
Brian Kroshus  
Chairman

  
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Commissioner