

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Otter Tail Power Company
Administrative Tariff Changes in Rate Schedules
Tariff**

Case No. PU-23-290

ORDER

November 8, 2023

Preliminary Statement

On August 17, 2023, Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) filed an application for approval to change the Rate Schedules 14.02 and 14.03 to close the rates that are using Real Time Pricing and System Marginal Energy Pricing for new customers.

On September 6, 2023, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing (Notice), which provided until October 16, 2023, for receiving written comments and hearing requests. No response or request for hearing was received.

The issues to be considered in this matter are:

1. Whether the proposed tariff changes are reasonable, and
2. Whether the tariff changes should be approved.

Discussion

OTP proposes to close the Real Time Pricing and System Marginal Energy Pricing rates to new customers while it evaluates new software to replace the current software which reaches end of life in 2025. OTP has one customer currently utilizing these rates who has been informed of the proposed changes and will continue utilizing these rates until the new rates are in place and approved.

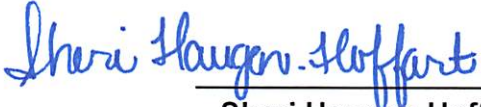
However, as the new pricing methodology will be a substantial departure from the current methodology, OTP considers that it would be confusing to add new customers to these rates until the new methodology and software are in place.

The Commission finds OTP's proposed tariff revisions are reasonable and prudent.

Order

The Commission Orders Otter Tail Power Company's proposed tariff revisions are APPROVED.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Sheri Haugen-Hoffart
Commissioner



Randy Christmann
Chair



Julie Fedorchak
Commissioner