

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Otter Tail Power Company
Administrative Tariff Changes in Rate Schedules
Tariff

Case No. PU-23-290

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **8th day of November 2023**, she deposited in the United States Mail, at Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and containing a photocopy of:

- Order

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

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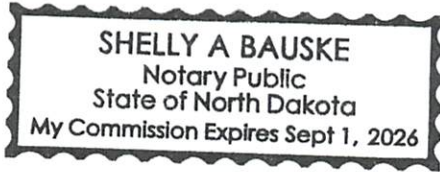
Geralyn R. Schmaltz further deposes and says that on the **8th day of November 2023**, she sent an electronic message to **one** address, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of the same document.

The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

Regulatory Filing Coordinators
Otter Tail Power Company
[Regulatory Filing Coordinators@otpco.com](mailto:Regulatory_Filing_Coordinators@otpco.com)

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office and electronic address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **8th day of November 2023**.



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A handwritten signature in blue ink, written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and appears to read "Shelly A. Bauske".

A handwritten signature in blue ink, "Shelly a Bauske", written over a horizontal line. Below the line, the words "Notary Public" are printed in a standard black font.

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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

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Commissioner

Randy Christmann

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Chair

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