

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

SOUTH CENTRAL JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Wano Township, Willowbank Township, Russell Township, Corwin Township, Valley Township, Mike Bartel, Patty Bartel, Richard Long, Susan R. Long, Steven Nelson, Julia Nelson, Phyllis P. Otterness, Patricia A. Vick, Brandon Schweigert, Tausha Schweigert, Shockman Farm Partnership, LLLP, Debra Sue Wald, Lucas Wald, Jill Wald, Timm Leppert, Orr Farms, Steve M. Rupp, Sandra J. Rupp, David A. Schweigert, Denette M. Schweigert, Allen D. Swiontek, Inna N. Swiontek, David Wald, Holly Wald, Weston Wald, and Willowbank Hutterian Brethren Association,

Appellants,

vs.

North Dakota Public Service Commission, Otter Tail Power Company, and Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.,

Appellees.

Case No. 08-2025-CV-02068

**NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
SERVICE COMMISSION'S
REPLY BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF
MOTION FOR MODIFICATION
OF BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

[¶1] The Commission respectfully requests for a short extension to file a response to Appellants' brief. The request is reasonable in light of the content of this appeal, is not being made for purposes of delay, and is requested because the schedule of the undersigned in October is filled with numerous scheduled depositions, a North Dakota Supreme Court brief deadline, and other matters that require the undersigned to "triage" in an attempt to balance deadlines.

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Dated this 24th day of September, 2025.

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