

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company’s
Reliability Report and Major Service
Interruption Summary**

Case No. PU-24-

APPLICATION FOR TRADE SECRET PROTECTION

Pursuant to N.D. Admin. Code §§ 69-02-09-01 and 69-02-09-04, Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) respectfully requests that the Commission issue a trade secret protective order in the above-referenced case. The purpose of the requested protective order is to protect against public disclosure of trade secret or proprietary information, as defined by N.D. Cent. Code §§ 47-25.1-01(4) and 44-04-18.4.

Otter Tail seeks trade secret protection for the location data points utilized to calculate IEEE 1366 Indices contained within the 2023 ND Interruptions (Application, Attachment 1 at column A). Location data may include specific customers served by a particular feeder. Otter Tail has taken reasonable efforts to maintain the secrecy of the information marked as PROTECTED DATA, which derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use (the “Protected Data”).

In accordance with N.D. Admin. Code § 69-02-09-02, one copy of the trade secret material is provided in the enclosed sealed envelope labeled PROTECTED INFORMATION – PRIVATE.

In addition, the Company requests that the trade secret protective order be broad enough to cover all additional information exchanged in the course of this proceeding and qualifying for trade secret protection.

Respectfully submitted this 25th day of April, 2024.

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