

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Otter Tail Power Company
Small Power Production / Cogeneration
Rates**

Case No. PU-25-63

ORDER

April 10, 2025

Preliminary Statement

On January 31, 2025, Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) filed a request for approval of its Small Power Producer purchased power rates, voluntary My Renewable Energy Credits Rider rate, and miscellaneous formatting changes to the tariff.

On February 19, 2025, the Commission suspended the rates and tariff, and issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing providing until April 7, 2025, to receive comments or requests for hearing. No comments or requests for hearing were received.

The Notice stated that the issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

1. Are the proposed tariff revisions just and reasonable?
2. Do the proposed rates comply with the tariff?
3. Are the proposed rates just and reasonable?

The Notice stated that, if deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a formal hearing.

Discussion

OTP's January 31, 2025, filing proposes to update the Occasional Delivery Energy Service, Time of Delivery Energy Service, and Dependable Service tariff rates for OTP's ND Small Power Producers. OTP proposes calculated adjustments to each rate, and that the rates for capacity purchases remain at zero for 2025.

OTP also proposes updates to the value of wind Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) which OTP pays to customers who sell renewable energy to OTP. OTP proposes no change to the value of solar RECs due to lack of recent purchases and sales.

OTP also proposes an update to the My Renewable Energy Credit (My REC) voluntary rider rate, decreasing the My REC rate by approximately 29% for each level of REC purchasing.

OTP also proposes changing the tariff to list rates in dollars/kWh rather than cents/kWh and to replace Bruce G. Gerhardson with Stuart D. Tommerdahl, Manager of Regulation & Retail Energy Solutions in the tariff foot section. OTP's proposed changes to the tariff also include formatting changes relating to margin alignment, bold formatting of definitions, capitalization of terms included in the glossary, removal of excess white space, and the addition of gridlines in tables.

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The Commission Orders:

Otter Tail Power Company's Small Power Producer and My Renewable Energy Credits tariff and rates, filed on January 31, 2025, are **APPROVED** for service rendered on or after May 1, 2025.

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