

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Otter Tail Power Company
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Case No. PU-26-165

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Janel Rubert deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **3rd day of August 2026**, she sent an electronic message to **two** addressees, each including an electronic copy in portable document format of:

- **Staff Response to Application for Protection of Information**
- **Affidavit of Service by Electronic Mail**

The electronic mail was addressed as follows:

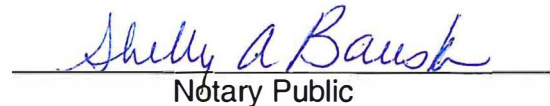
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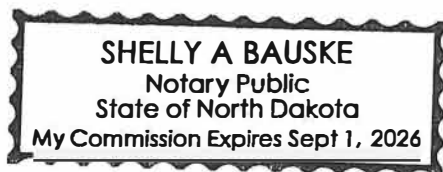
The addresses shown are the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable electronic mail addresses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **3rd day of August 2026**.




Notary Public

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STAFF RESPONSE TO APPLICATION FOR PROTECTION OF INFORMATION

On May 1, 2026, Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail Power or the Company) filed an Application for Protection of Information to protect certain information in the captioned case.

Pursuant to N.D. Admin. Code §§ 69-02-09-01 and 69-02-09-04, Otter Tail Power 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 Power seeks trade secret protection for the economic analysis associated with the impacts of Otter Tail Power's customers, Applied Digital, North Dakota Soybean Processor, and Green Bison Soybean Processor on 2025 financial results. In that respect the Company seeks trade secret protection for the entirety of the reports concerning Applied Digital, North Dakota Soybean Processor, and Green Bison Soybean Processor. The reports contain confidential customer information that Otter Tail Power is obligated to hold in confidence. The reports also contain confidential Otter Tail Power financial data, which if disclosed could provide third parties market and competitive advantages to the ultimate detriment of Otter Tail Power's customers. Otter Tail Power 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 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.

Staff believes that the Company's application satisfies the requirements of the North Dakota Century Code for protection of the information, which is the subject of this request.

For reasons set forth above, Staff recommends that the Commission grant the application of Otter Tail Power Company, to protect certain information filed in the captioned case.

Dated this 3rd day of August 2026.



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