## STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Otter Tail Power Company 2023 Electric Rate Increase Application Case No. PU-23-342

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC INPUT SESSIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING

On November 2, 2023, Otter Tail Power Company (OTP) filed a Notice for Change in Rates for Electric Service under North Dakota Century Code Section 49-05-05 and North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-09-02-01. OTP proposes a \$17.36 million or 8.43% increase in its annual North Dakota electric revenues. The proposed rates would affect OTP's service to all of its retail electric customers in North Dakota. Interim rates subject to refund were approved on December 13, 2023.

Public Input Sessions will be held June 20, 2024, at 12:00 pm Central Time and June 20, 2024, at 5:30 pm Central Time in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.

A **Public Hearing** is scheduled to begin **July 29, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. Central Time** in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505.

The issues to be considered in this proceeding are:

- 1. What is the value of OTP's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
- 2. What is OTP's rate of return on its property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
- 3. What is a just and reasonable rate of return on OTP's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
- 4. What rates and charges are necessary to provide a just and reasonable rate of return on OTP's property, used and useful, for the service and convenience of the public in North Dakota?
- 5. Are OTP's rate schedules designed in such a maner that they result in a basis of charge to its customers that is just and reasonable without undue discrimination?

The public is encouraged to view the Public Input Sessions electronically via <a href="https://psc.nd.gov/public/meetings/live.php">https://psc.nd.gov/public/meetings/live.php</a> or listen telephonically via 1-888-585-9008

with room code 671-872-185. The public is also invited to appear and participate in the Public Input Sessions at the State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota.

The Commission will receive public input through the following methods:

- In-person
- Virtually/Video Conference The public may provide input via video conference at the following link during the public input sessions. https://meet.goto.com/506590997
- Written Written public input may be submitted through email via <u>ndpsc@nd.gov</u> or by mail addressed to: Executive Secretary, 600 East Boulevard Ave, Dept 408, Bismarck, ND 58505-0480
- **Telephonic** The public may provide input over the phone by calling 701-328-4081 to be placed on a list. On June 20, 2024, the Commission will call you back during the designated public input session.

Petitions to Intervene are governed by North Dakota Administrative Code Section 69-02-05. However, the Commission encourages anyone wishing to become a party to this proceeding to file a Petition to Intervene as early in the process as possible to allow, if granted intervener status, full participation in prehearing filings and other actions. Consequently, anyone wishing to become a party should file a Petition to Intervene by May 20, 2024. A Petition to Intervene does not need to be filed to participate in the Public Input Sessions.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota, 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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