Comments from Operating Engineers Local 49 and North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters

May 30, 2025

Mr. Will Seuffert
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, MN 55101

In the Matter of the Application of Otter Tail Power Company for a Site Permit for the up to 66 MW Solway Solar Project in Beltrami County, Minnesota (24-309)

Dear Mr. Seuffert,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments on this matter.

We respectfully support the granting of a site permit for the Solway Solar project. The project will be a critical component of meeting the resource needs for Otter Tail Power that were identified and approved in the most recent Integrated Resource Plan. We have had the opportunity to meet with Otter Tail Power to discuss the construction of the project and look forward to continuing to work with them on ensuring the project maximizes local employment.

Sincerely,

Nathan Runke, Regulatory and Political Affairs Coordinator, International Union of Operating Engineers Local 49

Richard Kolodziejski, Public Affairs Director, North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters