

December 12, 2022

Will Seuffert
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 7th Place East, Suite 350
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-2147

RE: Comments of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources
Docket No. E999/PR-22-12

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

On June 22, 2022, the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) recommended the Commission direct Otter Tail Power (OTP) to retire Solar Renewable Energy Credits (SRECs) from utility scale projects to cover the shortfall in small SRECs for 2021. Upon the filing of a compliance filing demonstrating that OTP retired additional utility scale SRECs to cover its shortfall, the Department recommended that OTP be found to have made a good faith effort to meet the 2021 small solar requirement.

On August 8, 2022, the company retired 1,599 MW of utility scale SRECs and filed a compliance filing demonstrating the same. The Department hereby confirms that OTP retired the requisite number of utility scale SRECs and complied with the Department recommendation.

Sincerely,

/s/ ADWAY DE, PH.D.
Public Utilities Rates Analyst
Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Sharon Ferguson, hereby certify that I have this day, served copies of the following document on the attached list of persons by electronic filing, certified mail, e-mail, or by depositing a true and correct copy thereof properly enveloped with postage paid in the United States Mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Minnesota Department of Commerce Comments

Docket No. E999/PR-22-12

Dated this 12th day of December 2022

/s/Sharon Ferguson

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