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July 15, 2019



Daniel P. Wolf Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 350 Metro Square Building 121 7th Place East St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

RE: In the Matter of the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 Annual Automatic Adjustment Reports Docket Nos. E999/AA-18-373, E999/AA-17-492 Reply Comments

Dear Mr. Wolf:

Otter Tail Power Company (Otter Tail) hereby submits its Reply Comments in response to the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Division of Energy Resources (Department) Response Comments in the matter of the 2016-2017 (FYE17) and 2017-2018 (FYE18) Annual Automatic Adjustment Reports which the Department filed June 14, 2019.

On May 6, Otter Tail submitted Reply Comments to respond to the Department's request to provide actual 2018 generation maintenance expense information.

In their June 14, 2019 Response Comments, the Department recommended approval of Otter Tail's generation maintenance expense reporting and also restated their prior recommendations to the Commission to approve Otter Tail's FYE18 reporting: Section II Audit Report; Section III Compliance Items; MISO Day 1 reporting; MISO Day 2 reporting and allocations; Asset Based Margin Reporting; and, Ancillary Services Market Reporting.

On May 8, Otter Tail submitted a compliance filing for both FYE17 and FYE18 providing an analysis of the costs associated with self-commitment and self-scheduling of Otter Tail's generation facilities. The Department reviewed those compliance filings and recommended in their Response Comments that the Commission accept Otter Tail's compliance filings for the FYE17 and FYE18 reporting periods.

Otter Tail supports the Department's recommendations, as summarized above, and respectfully requests the Commission approve Otter Tail's annual reporting and associated compliance filings.



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Otter Tail has electronically filed this document with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission and is serving a copy on all persons on the Official Service List for this docket. A Certificate of Service is also enclosed.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at 218-739-8279 or stommerdahl@otpco.com.

Sincerely,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, Kim Ward, hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the following, or a summary thereof, on Daniel P. Wolf and Sharon Ferguson by e-filing, and Letters of Availability to all other persons on the attached service list by electronic service or by first class mail.

Otter Tail Power Company Reply Comments

Dated: July 15, 2019

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