

## JASON J. WEIERS

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### **BUSINESS ADDRESS**

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### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **Otter Tail Power Company, Fergus Falls, MN 56537**

*Manager, Transmission Project Development*

2023 to present

- Lead a cross-functional team of internal and external resources to draft permit applications for federal, state, and local jurisdictions
- Obtain federal, state, and county permits that are required to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of new transmission projects
- Maintain compliance with requirements outlined in permits obtained for new transmission projects
- Oversee the negotiation and administration of agreements for jointly owned transmission projects

#### **Otter Tail Power Company, Fergus Falls, MN 56537**

*Manager, Delivery Planning, Delivery Planning Department*

2013 to 2023

- Negotiated and administered transmission related agreements for Otter Tail Power Company
- Directed a team of employees involved in developing long range and strategic transmission projects
- Successfully integrated the distribution studies discipline into the Delivery Planning Dept.
- Supported regulatory proceedings by being an expert witness on transmission related topics
- Ensured compliance with multiple NERC reliability standards
- Managed the annual capital budget for Otter Tail
- Developed a five-year capital budget forecast for Otter Tail
- Represented Otter Tail's interests on several utility groups and committees

#### **Otter Tail Power Company, Fergus Falls, MN 56537**

*Supervisor, Delivery Studies, Delivery Planning Department*

2007 to 2013

- Supervised employees to lead an effective and productive team to meet company objectives
- Mentored temporary and permanent employees throughout their development within the company to meet their desired goals
- Supported state regulatory rate cases for Otter Tail with highly contested transmission issues
- Sponsored testimony and was an expert witness during MN regulatory hearings related to CapX Bemidji – Grand Rapids 230 kV Project (Certificate of Need and Route)
- Implemented a departmental plan to efficiently cover multiple stakeholder meetings
- Successfully prepared documentation for on-site NERC reliability audits
- Negotiated with neighboring utilities to define arrangements for joint transmission projects
- Supported review of agreements related to TSR and GI studies to protect Otter Tail interests

- Assisted in the analysis and review of distribution interconnection projects

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*T & D Studies Engineer, Delivery Planning Department* 2003 to 2007

- Maintained documentation for NERC Reliability Standards assigned to Delivery Planning
- Successfully completed technical studies related to Big Stone II Transmission project
- Assisted in the development of state regulatory process for need and route permits for transmission projects
- Testified as expert witness in evidentiary hearings for Big Stone II CON proceedings in MN
- Fulfilled OTP requirements in the submittal of the MN Biennial Transmission Plan
- Participated in the development of distributed generation rules in State of South Dakota

**Otter Tail Power Company, Fergus Falls, MN 56537**

*Engineer, Transmission Planning Department* 2000 to 2003

- Learned sophisticated software program to analyze the transmission system
- Applied theory learned in college to understand behavior of the transmission system
- Drafted detailed reports outlining assumptions, results, and recommendations from transmission studies
- Performed regional transmission studies pivotal to success of CapX2020 Group 1 projects
- Gained knowledge of various departments and personnel of Otter Tail Power Company
- Learned how to apply economic analysis to alternatives to develop recommendations
- Coordinated with neighboring transmission owners to perform joint transmission studies with joint recommendations

## **EDUCATION**

**North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND 58105**

Electrical Engineering, Bachelor of Science

May 2000

Power Emphasis

Cumulative GPA: 3.58/4.0

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## **CERTIFICATIONS, MEMBERSHIPS AND RELATED TRAINING**

- Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Minnesota, License Number 50031
- Member of Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE); Red River Valley Chapter
- Midwest Reliability Organization (MRO) Reliability Advisory Committee member (RAC)
- Eastern Interconnection Planning Collaborative (EIPC), MISO representative (formerly)
- Midwest Reliability Organization Transmission Assessment Subcommittee, Chair (formerly)
- MAPP Planning Standards Development Working Group member (formerly)
- NERC Interconnection Dynamics Working Group, MAPP representative (formerly)
- Finance for Non-Financial Managers Class – Carlson School of Management, 2012
- Dale Carnegie – Skills for Success, Fergus Falls, MN, 2010
- Fred Pryor Seminar – How to Supervise People, Fargo, ND, 2008
- Power of One recipient at Otter Tail Power Company, 2004
- Leading Leaders – Otter Tail Power Company leadership program in collaboration with Les McKeown, Predictable Success