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**VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY**

February 24, 2009

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen  
Executive Director  
Public Utilities Commission  
State of South Dakota  
Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed is the detail of the determination of the fuel adjustment factor for the three months ending January 2009. The new adjustment factor is applicable on bills dated on and after March 3, 2009 (Billing Cycle 1).

The calculation was made in compliance with the Fuel Adjustment Clause, Electric Rate Schedule - Rate Designation M-60S, as approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Order dated April 7, 2005 (Docket No. EL05-009). This calculation includes Item 6 of the tariff "Costs or revenues linked to the utility's load serving obligation, associated with participation in wholesale electric energy markets operated by Regional Transmission Organizations, Independent System Operators or similar entities that have received Federal Energy Regulatory Commission approval to operate the energy markets." A detail schedule of the items included in the calculation is enclosed. Otter Tail Power Company requests confidential treatment of columns (F) and (G) of the detail schedule pursuant to ARSD Part 20:10:01:41 due to the competitive nature of the data in those columns. Otter Tail Power Company is requesting confidential treatment for a period of at least 12 months and will request an extension in the future if necessary. Contact Pete Beithon, Manager of Regulatory Economics at: (218) 739-8607, 215 South Cascade Street, Fergus Falls, MN 56537 with any questions of concerns regarding the confidentiality request.

Revenue from Cost of Energy Adjustment for January 2009:

Total Sales in South Dakota	46,930,643 kWh
Sales Subject to Fuel Adjustment	41,042,579 kWh
Average Rate During Period	\$.00962
Revenue in Period	\$394,683.25
Energy Cost Adjustment - Effective 3/3/09	\$.00971