

## NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Issued: September 4, 2019

### In the Matter of Otter Tail Power Company's 2017-2031 Integrated Resource Plan

**PUC Docket Number: E017/RP-16-386**

**Comment Period:** Initial comment period closes September 27, 2019 at 4:30pm  
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**Background:** On April 26, 2017, the Commission issued its *Order Approving Otter Tail's 2016 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) with Modifications*. The Commission's Order required Otter Tail to address a number of items in the Company's next IRP filing, which was scheduled for June 3, 2019.

On August 23, 2018, Otter Tail requested a one-year extension to file its next IRP, citing the need for more time to model the Regional Haze Rule and the proposed Affordable Clean Energy Rule.

On December 13, 2018, the Commission issued its *Order Extending Deadline for Filing Resource Plan*, setting a new date of June 1, 2020 for Otter Tail to file its next IRP.

On August 29, 2019, Otter Tail requested another one-year extension to file its next IRP, again citing the Regional Haze Rule as a reason for the additional time. The Company requested an extension to September 1, 2021 to file its next IRP.

### Topics Open for Comment:

1. Should the Commission grant Otter Tail's request for a one-year extension?
2. If so, is Otter Tail's proposed date of September 1, 2021 reasonable, or would an alternative, sooner filing date be preferable?
3. Is there a benefit to developing an IRP record prior to Otter Tail's investment in NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> controls at Coyote Station?
4. Are there other issues or actions the Commission should consider?

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