

Commission hearing

A formal hearing on this electric rate increase filing will be held at:

North Dakota Public Service Commission
Commission Hearing Room
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Otter Tail Power Company Requests Interim Rate Increase

On November 2, 2017, Otter Tail Power Company submitted an application to the North Dakota Public Service Commission (NDPSC) to increase our electric rates. The rates applied for are proposed only and, if the rates are suspended by the NDPSC, the new rates will not be effective until the NDPSC takes action. To address the period during which the NDPSC considers our full request, we asked for an interim rate increase starting January 1, 2018.

This is what's driving our request

Our last request for a rate increase in North Dakota was in 2008. Since then, costs we incur to provide our customers with energy and related services have increased. We've also made investments in stronger, cleaner infrastructure and smarter technologies that help to ensure we can continue to provide you with reliable, affordable energy.



Public Input Session
The NDPSC will be scheduling a public input session via videoconference, which will allow you to provide your comments to the NDPSC and ask questions about our proposal.

For more information as it becomes available, visit otpc.com/NDRateReview or call 800-257-4044.

Interim rates

While the NDPSC considers our full request, interim rates will begin on January 1, 2018, and continue until final rates go into effect. This interim increase of \$12.8 million, or approximately 10.44 percent, appears on your bill as an “Interim Rate Adj”, which applies to the customer charge, energy charge, demand charge, facilities charge, fixed charge, and the monthly minimum charge.

If final rates approved by the NDPSC are lower than interim rates, we’ll refund you the difference with interest. If final rates are higher than interim rates, we won’t charge you the difference.

The following table shows the interim and proposed final rate increases to average monthly bills for each customer type. Increases will vary depending on your electric service rate and the amount of electricity you use.

AVERAGE MONTHLY ELECTRICITY COSTS

Customer Type	Monthly Kilowatt-hour Usage	Previous Monthly Cost	Interim Change in Monthly Cost	Proposed Final Change in Monthly Cost
Residential	870	\$84.86	\$8.86	\$11.63
Farms	2,297	\$195.29	\$20.39	\$26.75
General Service	2,769	\$268.74	\$28.06	\$22.23
Large General Service	173,381	\$12,425.26	\$1,297.20	\$1,026.33
Irrigation	1,522	\$103.92	\$10.85	\$19.75
Outdoor Lighting	2,074	\$2,516.18	\$262.69	\$327.10
Other Public Authority	2,375	\$173.76	\$18.14	\$22.59
Controlled Service Water Heating	221	\$15.95	\$1.67	\$2.19
Controlled Service Interruptible	1,977	\$84.38	\$8.81	\$11.56
Controlled Service Deferred	1,541	\$81.08	\$8.47	\$6.70