

March 11, 2024

Katrina Kessler, Commissioner  
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency  
520 Lafayette Road  
Saint Paul, MN 55155

Subject: Otter Tail Power Company Support of the State Minnesota's Coalition Proposal for Equitable Residential Decarbonization (Award Number EPA-R-OAR-CPRGI-23-07)

Dear Commissioner Kessler,

I write to confirm that Otter Tail Power Company plans to partner with the State of Minnesota and EmPower Crookston to implement the suite of equitable residential electrification programs in your agency's proposal.

We anticipate participating in this proposed work through active engagement in developing and refining programming to ensure low-income and disadvantaged communities are prioritized in the work of electrifying all homes in Minnesota. At a minimum, this means we'll:

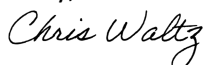
- Participate in the four annual convenings described in the proposal.
- Share information and resources from state and local government with the communities we serve to build awareness about programs and home electrification opportunities.
- Share information from the communities we serve to state program staff and relevant local government staff as part of program development and to improve programming and results over time.
- Contribute in specific ways that emerge out of the development of the proposed work and align with our organization.

Otter Tail Power Company is excited to partner in this residential electrification work because it aligns with our mission. Our mission is to produce and deliver electricity as reliably, economically, and environmentally responsibly as possible to the balanced benefit of customers, shareholders, and employees and to improve the quality of life in the areas in which we do business.

We're excited for this proposal to move forward as a coalition because we see residential electrification working most effectively as a collaboration between state and local governments. Local government can connect more effectively with individual community members to move forward on individual implementation while state government can more effectively provide backbone support and programming to foster learning and scale impact.

We've worked with EmPower Crookston, a coalition partner in this proposal. And we're committed to continuing to grow this partnership by working together to implement the CPRG proposal. Otter Tail Power Company has an array of energy efficiency, beneficial electrification, and renewable energy programs and rebates offered to support EmPower Crookston.

Sincerely,



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