

# **My RECs** Your solution for low-cost access to renewable energy

Operating your business with environmentally friendly energy resources can help you meet your sustainability goals and enhance your company's brand, attracting investors or customers interested in your product and the environmental impact of its manufacture and sale.

However, generating renewable energy resources requires hefty financial investment, dedicated space, and staff able to operate and maintain those resources. The result is often energy resources that are a more costly alternative and only cover a portion of the energy requirement.

### The solution is My RECs, a renewable energy tariff for businesses.

My RECs lets you choose to match some—or all—of the electricity you use in your operation to renewable energy credits (RECs) associated with the renewable energy Otter Tail Power Company generates. It's easy and cost effective.

You choose what share of your energy—50 percent, 75 percent, or 100 percent—you wish to cover with RECs and we'll bill you an associated kilowatt-hour charge. Each year, we'll retire our qualified RECs on your behalf.

By enrolling in My RECs, you can:

- Offset your business's carbon impact.
- Meet your sustainability goals.
- Support renewable energy generation.
- Share your environmentally friendly operations with customers, investors, and other stakeholders.

### What is a REC?

A renewable energy credit (REC) is an environmental commodity produced when renewable energy systems generate one megawatt-hour (MWh) of electricity and delivers that electricity to the energy grid.

Associated with that electricity is a REC—a marketbased certification of the environmental qualities of that renewable energy. Anyone can buy, sell, and store RECs through a REC market. They're created and sold separately from the electricity produced by a renewable energy resource.

When an owner retires a REC, they can claim the positive environmental impact of that renewable energy resource.



1 REC = Environmental attributes of 1 Megawatt-hour



### Subscribing to My RECs

Customers with a billing demand over 20 kilowatts at the time of enrollment are eligible for this program.

We base the cost you pay for each kilowatt-hour (kWh) of renewable energy on the rate approved for our small power producers, plus a minimal administrative charge for processing and retiring RECs.

My RECs are from our own renewable resources, currently our wind energy centers in North Dakota. Over time, as our solar RECs become available, we'll also include those.

### We base our price on the most cost-effective options available.

#### **Eligibility and costs**

My RECs is available to eligible customers on a firstcome, first-served basis until participation reaches 600,000 RECs—the equivalent of 600,000 MWh.

- Eligible customers have a billing demand over 20 kilowatts.
- Enrollment is effective on your next feasible billing date.
- Enrollment continues for a minimum of 12 months and automatically renews each year.
- You may cancel My RECs enrollment by contacting us after the first year of service.

#### **Participation costs**

My RECs subscription	
Price per kWh	
0.08021¢	
0.12031¢	
0.16042¢	

A monthly customer charge of \$1.28 also applies.

## My RECs can help you meet your sustainability and carbon reduction goals.

View the My RECs tariff at **otpco.com/pricing**. When you're ready to enroll, contact one of our energy experts at **IdeaCenter@otpco.com** or by calling **800-493-3299**.

For more information, contact your Energy Management Representative or our **Idea Center** at **800-493-3299**.

