

### Spurgeon/Bishop

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 6566**

**WHEREAS**, in Resolution No. 6544, the Board of Directors approved the Omaha Public Power District's 2023 Corporate Operating Plan (COP), which includes projected nuclear decommissioning funding in the amount of \$95.2 million, which includes funding through retail rates of \$73.9 million and realized investment income of \$21.3 million; and

**WHEREAS**, the District utilizes regulatory accounting to match decommissioning expense to the amounts funded from retail rates in the COP and realized investment income; and

**WHEREAS**, the balance of the decommissioning trust funds total \$536.1 million as of February 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the decommissioning cost estimate for 2023-2060 is \$685.4 million; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has an agreement with the Department of Energy (DOE) for the reimbursement of allowable costs for managing and storing spent nuclear fuel and high-level waste incurred due to the DOE's delay in accepting waste. Those costs are submitted annually to the DOE, and the District has received reimbursement for those costs incurred from 2017-2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has projected the funded status of the decommissioning trust funds based on the current assumptions, which includes updated assumptions for DOE reimbursements, and the decommissioning trust funds are adequately funded; and

**WHEREAS**, Management recommends and seeks approval to discontinue nuclear decommissioning trust funding from retail rates for the remainder of 2023 in the amount of \$55.4 million.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Directors of the Omaha Public Power District hereby approves a revised 2023 Corporate Operating Plan nuclear decommissioning funding amount of \$39.8 million.



## **Board Action**

April 18, 2023

#### **ITEM**

Revised 2023 Corporate Operating Plan Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Amount

#### **PURPOSE**

Approval of the Revised 2023 Corporate Operating Plan Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Amount

#### **FACTS**

- a. The 2023 Corporate Operating Plan (COP), including nuclear decommissioning funding of \$95.2 million, was approved by the Board of Directors on December 15, 2022. The nuclear decommissioning funding for 2023 consists of \$73.9 million from retail rates and \$21.3 million from realized investment income.
- b. The District utilizes regulatory accounting, as approved by the Board of Directors, to match decommissioning expense to the amounts funded from retail rates in the COP and realized investment income.
- c. The decommissioning trust funds are held in two trusts, which total \$536.1 million as of February 28, 2023.
- d. The most recent decommissioning cost estimate (in 2022 dollars) for 2023-2060 totals \$685.4 million.
- e. The Department of Energy (DOE) reimburses the District for allowable costs for managing and storing spent nuclear fuel and high-level waste incurred due to the DOE's delay in accepting waste. The District submits those costs annually to the DOE. The DOE reimbursed the District for those costs incurred from 2017-2021 totaling \$82.7 million.
- f. On an annual basis, the District projects the funded status of the decommissioning trust funds using the most current assumptions to determine if additional funding is needed. Based on the most recent update, which includes updated assumptions for DOE reimbursements, the decommissioning trust funds are adequately funded. As a result, the nuclear decommissioning trust funding from retail rates for the remainder of 2023 in the amount of \$55.4 million is not needed.
- g. The District will continue to project the funded status of the decommissioning trust funds on an annual basis and will recommend changes to nuclear decommissioning funding from retail rates if needed based on the assumptions at that time.

# **Board Action**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Attachments: Resolution

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Approval of the revised 2023 Corporate Operating Plan Nuclear Decommissioning Funding Amount of \$39.8 million.

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