

Abbott John S
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Abbott John S

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 215 S CASCADE ST
 (Street)

FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Otter Tail Corp [OTTR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/05/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Pres Varistar, Sr VP, M/I Plat

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/05/2018		A	9,248 (1)	\$ 41.325	10,162	D
Common Stock	02/05/2018		F	4,633	\$ 41.325	5,529 (2)	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/05/2018		A	1,800	02/06/2019 ⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	1,800
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					02/06/2016 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	900
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					02/06/2017 ⁽⁶⁾	Common Stock	1,800
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					02/06/2018 ⁽⁷⁾	Common Stock	1,900

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Abbott John S 215 S CASCADE ST FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801			Pres Varistar, Sr VP, M/I Plat	

Signatures

/s/ John S Abbott by Ella Leapaltd,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/07/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Represents shares received upon the vesting of certain performance criteria in connection with a Performance Shares Award (granted in 2015).

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- (2) Total direct holding acquired pursuant to Restricted Stock Units and Performance Share Awards.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Otter Tail Corporation stock.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning the date shown above.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in four equal installments which began February 6, 2016.
- (6) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments which began February 6, 2017.
- (7) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments which began February 6, 2018.

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