KOECK GEORGE A Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading KOECK GEORGE A Issuer Symbol Otter Tail Corp [OTTR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 215 S CASCADE ST 04/16/2012 below) Sr VP, Gen Coun & Corp Sec (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801** Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities nAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/16/2012		A <u>(1)</u>	3,100	A	<u>(2)</u>	13,325.7926 (3)	D	
Common Stock							905.5037	I	ESOP

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

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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

KOECK GEORGE A 215 S CASCADE ST FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801

Sr VP, Gen Coun & Corp Sec

Signatures

/s/ George A Koeck by Debra J Lill, Attorney-in-Fact

04/17/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Shares of Common Stock acquired under the Corporation's Stock Incentive Plan, which is a grant of Restricted Stock. The 3,100 shares granted 4/16/2012 vest 25% yearly commencing 4/8/2013.
- This grant has a FMV of \$21.32. **(2)**
- Total direct holdings include shares held in the Dividend Reinvestment Plan and shares acquired pursuant to Restricted Stock Awards and Performance Award distributions.

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