

OTTER TAIL CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 19, 2004

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): August 18, 2004

**OTTER TAIL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-00368 (Commission File Number)	41-0462685 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
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215 South Cascade Street, P.O. Box 496, Fergus Falls, MN (Address of principal executive offices)	56538-0496 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (866) 410-8780

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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**Signature**

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**Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure**

On August 18, 2004 Otter Tail Corporation issued a press release announcing that it has completed the acquisition of Idaho Pacific Holdings, Inc. A copy of this press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

**Signature**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 19, 2004

OTTER TAIL CORPORATION

By /s/ Kevin G. Moug

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Kevin G. Moug  
Chief Financial Officer  
and Treasurer

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<b><u>Exhibit</u></b>	<b><u>Description of Exhibit</u></b>
99.1	Press release, dated August 18, 2004