

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

Application of Union Electric Company,                    )  
d/b/a AmerenUE, for a Metering Variance                )  
to Serve Brentmoor at Oaktree.                            )      Case No. \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE OF UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY**

COMES NOW Union Electric Company d/b/a AmerenUE (“AmerenUE” or “Company”) and  
for its Application for a Variance from 4 CSR 240-20.050, states as follows:

1.       Company is a Missouri corporation, in good standing in all respects, with its principal  
office and place of business located at 1901 Chouteau Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63103. The  
Company is engaged in providing electric and gas utility services in portions of Missouri as a public  
utility under the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission"). The Company  
is also engaged in providing electric and gas service in portions of Illinois. There is already on file with  
the Commission a certified copy of the Company's Restated Articles of Incorporation (*see*, Commission  
Case No. EO-96-431), a Certificate of Corporate Good Standing (*see*, Commission Case No. EF-  
2003-0514), and a copy of Company’s Fictitious Name Registration as filed with the Missouri  
Secretary of State’s Office (*see*, Commission Case No. GO-98-486), and said documents are  
incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof for all purposes.

2. Pleadings, notices, orders and other correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

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Associate General Counsel  
Ameren Services Company  
1901 Chouteau Ave.  
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3. At the request of the customer herein, Brookview Group Communities, the Company seeks a variance from the individual metering requirement of 4 CSR 240-20.050(2) for the Brentmoor at Oaktree project located at 363 Jungermann Road, St. Peters, Missouri. The project has been completed since 2002. During a review of master metered projects, it was discovered that this customer was master metered at its request by the Company's customer service engineer. The Company has since reviewed metering practices with all such engineers. The customer and Company are requesting a variance from the individual metering requirements of 4 CSR 240-20.050.

4. The project is a retirement living community consisting of 166 units and is designed to offer 'worry free living' with meals, planned activities, and transportation for outings provided in a single monthly fee, which fee also covers all utility expenses except cable and phone service. The mechanical systems consist of individually controlled electric HVAC units and a common gas hot water heating system.

5. The customer is responsible for the payment of the electric bill. Reverting to individual metering will unnecessarily increase the Company's investment and increase costs for the customer, who will continue to pay the bills regardless of master or individual metering in order to continue to provide worry free living for the subject residents.

6. AmerenUE estimates that individually metering each unit would result in additional expenditures by AmerenUE of approximately \$180 per apartment. AmerenUE supports the customer's request for the metering of this project because of the overall cost-benefits.

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7. The granting of this variance should not affect any other public utility.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, Union Electric Company, on behalf of the customer, respectfully requests a variance from the individual metering requirement of 4 CSR 240-20.050 to allow master metering for the Parkview apartment building in St. Louis, Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY  
d/b/a AmerenUE

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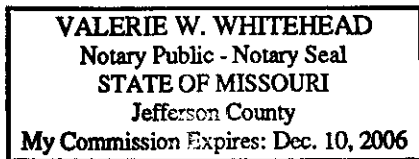
VERIFICATION

STATE OF MISSOURI     )  
                                      ) SS.  
CITY OF ST. LOUIS     )

I, Edward C. Fitzhenry, an attorney for Union Electric Company, being duly sworn upon my oath, do hereby state that I have read the foregoing document and that the facts stated therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that I am authorized to file such document on behalf of Union Electric Company.

Edward C. Fitzhenry

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2003.



Valerie W. Whitehead  
Notary Public