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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Dale Hardy Roberts Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge Missouri Public Service Commission Governor Office Building 200 Madison Street Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

> Case No. EE-2004-0267 Re:

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing are an original and eight (8) copies of the Request by Intervenor for a Hearing Before the Commission with Respect to the Application for a Variance.

Thank you for your assistance in bringing this filing to the attention of the Commission.

Very truly yours,

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Richard G. Byrd

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cc: Dana K. Joyce John B. Coffman Joseph Raybuck (Union Electric Company)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of Union Electric Company, doing business as AmerenUE, for a Variance from the Separate Metering Requirement of the Commission's Rule for the Brentmoor at Oaktree project located at 363 Jungermann Road, St. Peters, Missouri.

Case No. EE-2004-0267

REQUEST BY INTERVENOR FOR A HEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO THE APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE

COME NOW St. Catherine Retirement Community, LLC and DeSmet Retirement Community, LLC, (collectively, "*Intervenor*"), and respectfully present and submit to the Missouri Public Service Commission (the "*Commission*"), this request for a hearing before the Commission with respect to the above referenced Application of Union Electric Company for a variance from the Separate Metering Requirements.

1. On March 30, 2004, the Staff's Submittal of the Electric Meter Variance Committee's Second Recommendation was issued with an attached Memorandum containing the non-unanimous recommendation that the Commission deny Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren UE a variance from the Separate Metering Requirements of 4 CSR 240-20.050 for master metering the residential units of the senior living facility known as Brentmoor Oak Tree at 363 Jungermann Road, St. Peters, Missouri.

2. Since this pending Application for a variance for Brentmoor Oak Tree from the Separate Metering Requirements involves questions of law and fact similar to those asserted in another Application for a Variance pending in Case No. EE-2004-0268, Intervenor suggests that the Commission consider a joint hearing on both Applications in order to avoid unnecessary costs or delay.

WHEREFORE Intervenor respectfully requests the Commission to grant the Application for a Variance made by Union Electric Company or grant a hearing before the Commission with respect to the Application for a Variance.

Respectfully Submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronic mailed to all counsel of record this $\underline{\neg \mu}$ day of April, 2004.

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