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AmerenUE and the U.S. Green Building Council-St. Louis Regional Chapter Award \$90,000 to Advance Green Building in Missouri

Grants to 18 Projects are Part of \$385,000 Commitment to Green Building in the St. Louis Area

ST. LOUIS, March 14, 2007—AmerenUE and the U.S. Green Building Council-St. Louis Regional Chapter today officially presented \$90,000 to 18 project owners or developers who are applying to obtain the coveted Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification for their green building projects.

The award ceremony took place today at Crossroads College Prep in St. Louis. Crossroads College Prep is the only one of the winning projects seeking the highest level of LEED certification—the platinum level—for a science wing addition project.

The awards are part of the LEED Incentive Grant Program, funded by AmerenUE and administered by the U.S. Green Building Council-St. Louis Regional Chapter. The program's goal is to accelerate green building practices, energy conservation and environmental performance in the St. Louis region.

LEED is a voluntary, consensus-based rating system that is a national standard for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings. LEED certification recognizes buildings that follow the exacting standards of the LEED Green Building Rating System®, including requirements for energy efficiency, wise resource use and other sustainable green building practices.

The grants, of \$5,000 each, are the first phase of the LEED Incentive Grant Program. Each successful applicant will use the grant funds to cover the administrative costs of applying for LEED certification. If awarded LEED certification, each applicant will be granted additional funds depending on the level of certification attained—Certified, Silver, Gold or Platinum. Those funds will go toward additional administrative costs of the application process or “soft” construction costs related to LEED, including building commissioning or daylighting analysis.

“We are very excited to announce the winners of this unique grant program in AmerenUE’s electric service area,” says AmerenUE Senior Vice President Richard Mark. “The LEED Incentive Grant

Program is an innovative way for AmerenUE to promote good, green-building practices in the state of Missouri. That's good for our customers and good for our environment.”

Below is the full list of winners:

<i>Project</i>	<i>Applicant</i>
Arcade/Wright Building	Pyramid Companies
Blossom House	Roberts Brothers
Crossroads Science Wing Addition	Crossroads College Prep
Dillard's Building Renovation	Pyramid Companies
Ice House #6	Bryan Young Catering
Jefferson Arms Redevelopment	Pyramid Companies
KWMU Headquarters	KWMU (NPR station)
Mathis Heating & Cooling	Mathis Heating & Cooling
Missouri Botanical Garden's Monsanto Center	Missouri Botanical Garden
North Side Community Recreation Center	City of St. Louis
Roberts Office Expansion	Roberts Brothers
Roberts Tower	Roberts Brothers
SOLAE Headquarters	SOLAE
South Side Community Recreation Center	City of St. Louis
St. Louis Center	Pyramid Companies
Stoneridge Medical Office Building	BJC Healthcare
Villa de Maria "Green Dream"	Villa di Maria Montessori School
Washington University - University Center	Washington University

AmerenUE's support of the LEED Incentive Grant Program is part of a settlement approved in 2002 by the Missouri Public Service Commission. Through that settlement, AmerenUE Missouri electric customers received \$110 million in phased-in electric rate reductions, in addition to other programs that help low-income customers and encourage energy efficiency. A collaborative consisting of AmerenUE, the Office of Public Counsel, the Missouri Public Service Commission Staff and the Department of Natural Resources' Energy Center worked with the USGBC-STL to develop the program. Any funds not awarded through the LEED Incentive Grant Program will be returned to the collaborative for further low-income and energy efficiency programs.

USGBC-STL is currently not accepting new applications for the LEED Incentive Grant Program, but questions can be mailed, faxed or e-mailed to the USGBC-St. Louis Regional Chapter, 3617 Grandel Square, St. Louis, MO 63108, (314) 577-0298 or usgbc-stl@mobot.org.

About U.S. Green Building Council-St. Louis Regional Chapter:

The U.S. Green Building Council is the nation's foremost coalition of leaders from across the building industry working to promote buildings that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to live and work. The St. Louis Regional Chapter includes every segment of the building industry: architecture; engineering; construction; landscape architecture; interior design; product manufacturing and sales; facilities management; insurance; real estate; federal, state and local government and non-profit organizations.

About AmerenUE:

AmerenUE is a subsidiary of St. Louis-based Ameren Corporation. Ameren companies serve 2.4 million electric customers and nearly 1 million natural gas customers in a 64,000-square-mile area of Missouri and Illinois.

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