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### **BGMU RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR RELIABLE ELECTRIC OPERATIONS**

Bowling Green Municipal Utilities is one of 184 of the nation's more than 2,200 public power utilities to earn Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3®) recognition from the American Public Power Association for providing consumers with the highest degree of reliable and safe electric service. Brent McKinney, manager, electric transmission and distribution at City Utilities of Springfield, Mo., and chair of APPA's RP3® Review Panel, presented the designees on April 7 during the association's annual Engineering & Operations Technical Conference held in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

"RP3® utilities are providing a high level of service to communities all over the country," said McKinney. "These designees stand out as models of safe, reliable and forward-thinking utility operations."

BGMU is one of only four Kentucky RP3® designees and one of only 18 TVA municipally-owned local power company RP3® designees. The RP3® designation recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines: reliability, safety, workforce development and system improvement. Criteria within each category are based on sound business practices and represent a utility-wide commitment to safe and reliable delivery of electricity. The RP3® designation lasts for three years.

Additionally, of the 184 RP3® designees, only 35 have attained the highest level of RP3® designation (diamond), including BGMU. According to the criteria, a utility must score 98 or better on the program's criteria. BGMU is the only Kentucky utility with this honor, and one of only five TVA municipally-owned local power company RP3® designees at the diamond level.

"We are honored to be included in the role of RP3® – designated utilities," said Mark Iverson, General Manager of BGMU. "BGMU has held that designation since the program's inception, and I believe it is a reflection of the hard work our employees perform every day to provide our customers with safe and reliable electric service."

This is the ninth year that RP3® designation has been offered.

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