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## **BOWLING GREEN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

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## **BGMU NAMED 2018 TREE LINE USA UTILITY**

(Bowling Green, Ky.) Bowling Green Municipal Utilities is a 2018 Tree Line USA Utility for the 11th consecutive year, the Arbor Day Foundation recently announced.

Tree Line USA is a national program recognizing public and private utilities for pursuing practices that protect and enhance America’s urban trees. A partnership between the Foundation and the National Association of State Foresters, Tree Line USA promotes the dual goals of delivering safe and reliable electricity while maintaining healthy community forests.

BGMU achieved the designation by meeting the five program standards for Tree Line USA. Utilities must follow industry standards for quality tree care; provide annual training for employees in best tree-care practices; sponsor a tree-planting and public education program; maintain a tree-based energy conservation program; and participate in an Arbor Day celebration.

“BGMU recognizes that a healthy, vibrant urban forest adds to the quality of life for our community,” stated Mark Iverson, General Manager of BGMU. “BGMU also recognizes that trees can conflict with the community’s need for reliable electric power. We appreciate the opportunity to work with the Arbor Day Foundation to develop and follow best practices in quality tree care.”

More information about Tree Line USA is available at [arborday.org/TreeLineUSA](http://arborday.org/TreeLineUSA).

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### **About BGMU**

*Bowling Green Municipal Utilities provides electricity, water, wastewater services and high speed commercial data services to the Bowling Green area. The utility serves approximately 30,000 electric customers, 20,000 water/wastewater customers and 550 commercial fiber customers.*

*For more information, please visit our website, [www.bgmu.com](http://www.bgmu.com).*

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