The Power to Grow

It takes power to grow a business, and that power comes from partnership. With the help of our Illinois business partners — and local, regional and state allies — we can help your organization grow in the Midwest.

Our team of economic development professionals is on the front lines working to welcome new businesses to the communities we serve and support the growth of existing Illinois businesses.

Learn how we can help you grow: AmerenIllinois.com/EconomicDevelopment, 1.800.232.2477

THE POWER OF LOCATION

The entire Ameren service area — Ameren Illinois and Ameren Missouri — is competitively positioned as the Midwest’s hub for distribution, advanced manufacturing and agribusiness.

Advantages of our location include:

- Access to worldwide markets via integrated, efficient transportation systems
- World-renowned research in agriculture, biofuels and supporting technologies
- An experienced workforce energized by education and that famous Midwest work ethic
- Eight foreign trade zones

AFFORDABLE ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS

Ameren Illinois electric and natural gas rates remain competitively priced and below the national average. In 2019, Ameren Illinois filed for its sixth rate decrease since the state’s Energy Infrastructure Modernization Act (EIMA) passed in 2011. Under EIMA, Ameren Illinois customers have saved an estimated $45 million each year through avoided outages and increased service reliability.

Prudent cost management, solid project execution, reduced energy supply costs and Illinois’ progressive energy policies have enabled the company to pursue modernization efforts with minimal impact on customer rates.

Average Electric Industrial Rate
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Source: Typical Bills and Average Rates Reports, Winter 2018 - Edison Electric Institute (for 12 months ending January 2019)

Average Monthly Natural Gas Bill ($) (for Industrial Customer Using 100,000 therms)

Source: American Gas Association Survey for Rates Effective March 2019
PAVING THE WAY FOR A CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE

Ameren Illinois is proud to pave the way for a clean energy future in Illinois. We support renewable energy by installing new equipment and enhancing our existing infrastructure to enable wind and solar generators to safely connect to the grid — so our customers can receive the benefits.

As more businesses and individual consumers seek energy self-sufficiency, our state-of-the-art microgrid allows Ameren to test the use of clean, renewable energy sources with advanced automation and battery storage. Located in Champaign, Illinois, the $5 million facility features a wind turbine, solar panels, a natural gas generator and a complex system of batteries that capture the energy produced and ready it for distribution onto the larger grid. Ameren’s microgrid can produce up to 1,475 kilowatts and is powering nearly 200 homes and businesses in Champaign.

Our microgrid is one of only a few in the world that operates at utility-scale voltages and the only one capable of serving actual customers. In addition, our microgrid is the first facility in the world to achieve environmental Gold certification by the U.S. Green Building Council!

BUILDING A NEXT-GENERATION ENERGY DELIVERY SYSTEM

Ameren Illinois is investing hundreds of millions of additional dollars to modernize our natural gas and electric energy delivery system so we can provide superior service for years to come. We are fortifying utility poles, installing automated switches and sensors, replacing distribution lines and vintage pipeline, and installing smart meters throughout our 43,700-square-mile territory. These upgrades will improve service reliability and give customers information they can use to better manage energy usage and costs.

Investing $3.5 BILLION on delivery system improvements

Since the upgrades began, system reliability has improved by +17%

Customers have saved an estimated $45 million per year since 2012

Improvements span across nearly 44,000 miles, covering 1,200 communities

Since January 2012, we have added 1400 direct and contractor jobs

According to a 2018 study by a leading St. Louis-based market research and development firm, Development Strategies International, upgrades to the electric and natural gas infrastructure in the Illinois territory have triggered:

$28.5 billion economic benefits

$422.2 million tax revenues

19,000 jobs

Ameren Microgrid: Where Innovation Meets Energy

Wind Turbine

Natural Gas Generators

Solar Panels

Energy Storage Battery

Controllers

Switch Gear

Serving Customers