



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
OFFICE OF CHILDHOOD - CHILD CARE COMPLIANCE

COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION OF
SUBSTANTIATED STATUTE OR RULE VIOLATIONS

DATE OF REPORT

2/28/2023

DVN

002938183

FACILITY NAME

ETHAN'S CORNER LLC

FACILITY ADDRESS

3809 LOUISIANA AVE

CITY

ST LOUIS

ZIP CODE

63118-4225

PHONE NUMBER

(314) 699-7416

COUNTY

ST LOUIS CITY

ASSIGNED SPECIALIST

HONEA, MICHELLE J

RULE/STATUTE VIOLATION(S)

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5 CSR 25-500.032(4)

The person(s) or legal entity who owns a child care facility shall be responsible for meeting all debts and obligations incurred by the facility and for maintaining compliance with all licensing rules for group child care homes and child care centers.

CONCLUSION SUMMARY

On February 28, 2023, the Office of Childhood (OOC) received an allegation that: Ameren UE posted on the building on 02/27/2023 that the facility will be disconnecting the Electrical service on 2/28/2023 at 3809 Louisiana Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63118 due to nonpayment. After conducting an investigation, Compliance Inspector (CI) Michelle Honea has found this allegation to be substantiated based on the following evidence:

5 CSR 25-500.032(4): which states; "The person(s) or legal entity who owns a childcare facility shall be responsible for meeting all debts and obligations incurred by the facility and for maintaining compliance with all licensing rules for group childcare homes and childcare centers."

On March 7, 2023, CI Honea conducted a phone interview with BIRTHA Lindsey who stated that the facility is not open for business and has not been in almost a year and has no children in care. The lights were turned off last Saturday, and turned back on Monday, due to an unpaid light bill. The light bill went to the wrong address. Ms. Lindsey has paid all past due payments and there will not be a problem going forward because all of the information has been updated.

On March 8, 2023, CI Honea contacted Ameren by phone to determine if the utilities have been paid. CI Honea spoke with the credit team and it was confirmed that BIRTHA Lindsey did have the service turned off for lack of payment but has since paid the bill and services were restored.

CORRECTIVE MEASURES

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The facility shall ensure that all debts and obligations are met to keep utilities in operation and shall submit a plan of action to ensure that this occurs in a timely manner. A copy of the plan shall be provided to the Office of Childhood.

COMPLETED (Y/N)

Yes

COMPLETED DATE

5/18/2023

DISPOSITION

SUBSTANTIATED

DISPOSITION DATE

4/7/2023

APPROVING SUPERVISOR

CHRISCO, MARLA L