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AttenGen! Helps Meridian, Inc. Provide 24-Hour Care

Providing comprehensive services for those who suffer from serious mental illnesses and substance abuse problems, Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. has served the Gainesville area for more than 30 years. Meridian has taken advantage of GRU's onsite generation service, AttenGen!, allowing the Meridian staff to provide their patients with reliable, 24-hour care.



"The AttenGen units GRU installed at our critical care facilities allow us to maintain the safety and comfort of our patients during possible power outages," said Margarita Labarta, CEO of Meridian.



"During a severe storm last year, the unit at our Gainesville location kept the 8,000 square-foot facility up and running, allowing us to operate our communication systems and other equipment despite the power outage," said Labarta.

After experiencing the success of AttenGen in Gainesville, Meridian wanted to extend the same reliability and security to the location in Lake City. As GRU does not provide utility service to the Lake City area, Labarta was unsure if this would even be possible.

"After making one phone call, we were pleased to discover that GRU would design, install, manage and maintain the backup generation at our Lake City facility."

For more information on the AttenGen program, call **(352) 393-1483** or visit **GRU.com** and click **Your Business> Backup Generation**.

Meridian operates two critical care facilities, both equipped with AttenGen units. Each facility houses approximately 20 adults and children in need of 24-hour care. The ability for GRU's AttenGen units to keep the facility operating is, according to Labarta, "a blessing."

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