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Wind is popular because it is abundant, cheap, inexhaustible, widely distributed, climate-benign, and clean—attributes no other energy source can match.”

—Lester R. Brown,
Earth Policy Institute

About Us

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Read about our expertise, experience, and management team.

Expertise

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Developing a successful wind project is a highly complex process. Orion Energy Group (OEG) has the experience, personnel, and resources to meet the challenges of every phase of a project —from inception through construction, operation and maintenance. We develop on-going relationships with all stakeholders including landowners, local communities, government agencies, interconnecting utilities, power purchasers, equipment manufacturers, contractors, project owners and lenders.

Experience

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Orion Energy Group (OEG) and its predecessor, Orion Energy LLC, developed more than 1800 MW of wind power projects that are now operational or under construction in the United States. In addition, prior to forming Orion Energy LLC, the company’s principals developed numerous wind energy projects, operational in the United States, Canada, Latin America, Europe and Asia.

Orion Energy Group's sister company, Renewable Development Company Ltd. (RDC), is a leading wind power development company in the United Kingdom. RDC is presently developing more than 500 megawatts (MW) of wind energy projects, both onshore and offshore. RDC's Cefn Croes project was the largest onshore wind power project in the United Kingdom when it was completed in 2005. RDC was also the co-developer of one of the largest offshore projects in the United Kingdom.

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Management

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What sets Orion Energy Group apart are our people, whose experience and expertise in developing and implementing successful wind energy projects are second to none. At every stage of a wind energy project, from the initial wind assessment through operation and maintenance, Orion Energy Group's dedicated professionals are the best in the business.

Michael Haas

Michael is President of Orion Energy Group (OEG) and Director of Renewable Development Company Ltd (RDC).

Michael has been involved in the wind industry since 1990, serving in management and executive positions at Kenetech Corporation before founding Orion Energy Group. While at Kenetech, Michael led the development, finance, implementation and construction for projects totaling 350 megawatts (MW) of installed capacity and directed over 1,000 megawatts (MW) of contracted projects through various stages of development worldwide. He also served as General Manager of the "56-100" Wind Turbine Division, responsible for the engineering, manufacturing, operations and maintenance of over 500 megawatts (MW) of wind turbines.

Prior to Kenetech, Michael worked for the McDonnell Douglas Corporation.

Michael received a BS degree in Aerospace Engineering from the University of Missouri-Rolla, and a Master's degree in Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering from Stanford University.

Reid Buckley

Reid is Vice President of Orion Energy Group and is responsible for its North American development activities.

Reid has been in the wind industry since 1992, holding senior development and finance positions at Tomen Power Corporation and Kenetech Windpower Inc. before joining Orion Energy Group. Prior to working in the energy industry, Reid was a management consultant at Bain & Company.

Reid received both a BS degree in Engineering Mechanics and a Master's degree in Public and Private Management from Yale University.

Jim Eisen

Jim is Orion Energy Group's Vice President, and has been involved in the development and financing of wind energy projects since 1986.

Before joining Orion Energy Group, Jim was Vice President and General Counsel for Kenetech Corporation and its wind subsidiary, Kenetech Windpower Inc.

Jim has also served as Vice President and Assistant General Counsel for Catellus Development Corporation, a real estate

development company.

Prior to entering the energy field, Jim practiced general corporate law with law firms in San Francisco and New York.

Jim received two BS degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a JD degree from New York University's School of Law.

Lien Dinh

Lien is Associate Counsel at Orion Energy Group, and supports Orion Energy Group's real estate and development activities throughout North America.

Lien received a BA from the University of California at Los Angeles in Economics, and a JD from the University of San Francisco School of Law.

Kreg Kitchen

Kreg is Asset Manager for Orion Energy Group, and oversees the operations of the Orion Energy Group assets and supports development throughout North America.

Kreg received a BS from the Michigan State University School of Engineering, and a JD from Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

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