

Nicholas Gebauer

Director, Development – West Regional Onshore Development

Mr. Gebauer is a dedicated renewable energy professional with 12 years of experience leading or supporting multiple phases of wind and solar project development throughout the USA for Ørsted and other energy companies. Through professional experience and educational training via applicable bachelor and master's degree programs, Mr. Gebauer possesses a strong background in resource assessment, permitting, project management, stakeholder relations and GIS.

EXPERIENCE

Ørsted Onshore North America, Chicago, IL – *Director, Development*

JANUARY 2022 - CURRENT

- **Project Development:** Leading team of regional developers responsible for a portfolio of wind, solar, and storage projects across MISO North, SPP North, and other western USA markets
- **Department Management:** Make key decisions throughout a project's lifecycle and report department activities to senior management; manage relationships with external parties and consultants

Akuo Energy, Chicago, IL – *Senior Development Manager / Project Manager*

JANUARY 2016 – DECEMBER 2021

- **Project Development:** Responsible for all project development activities for nearly 1 GW of solar & wind projects
- **Finance Due Diligence:** Manage Q&A process with lenders; coordinate third-party studies; administer financing data room and participate on financing calls
- **Project Origination / M&A:** Manage all project acquisition activities, including counterparty relations, project diligence, third-party consulting, and contract review
- **Construction Project Management:** Served as PM for a 150 MW wind project, managing the onsite construction team and leading all lender relations & reporting; oversaw all Independent Engineer activities & reporting; coordinated technical CPs to close tax equity funding upon COD

Invenergy, Chicago, IL – *Project Engineer / Performance Analyst*

SEPTEMBER 2013 – JANUARY 2016

- **Operations Analytics:** Monitored performance of the company's wind & solar assets, finding opportunities for asset optimization and creating reports for all levels of the organization
- **Wind & Solar Energy Engineering:** Lead project engineer for 1+ GW of solar PV projects and 250+ MW of wind projects, directing resource assessment, layout design, capex estimation, value engineering, and other factors to maximize project NPV

AWS Truepower (now part of UL), Albany, NY – *Modeling Specialist / Modeling Analyst*

JUNE 2010 - SEPTEMBER 2013

- **Resource Assessment:** Created bankable wind energy output estimates and resource maps
- **Project Engineering:** Designed project layouts and ensured wind turbine suitability for a particular wind regime
- **Company Products:** Validated and tested OpenWind software; Coordinated regional wind mapping efforts for WindNavigator online offering

EDUCATION

Master of Arts in GIS for Development and Environment – Clark University

AUGUST 2008 - MAY 2010

Bachelor of Science in Meteorology, Earth Science & GIS – Michigan State University

AUGUST 2003 - MAY 2007

Graduated with High Honors