

DENIS KNEZACEK

Utility Construction Manager

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Professional Summary

- Construction professional with experience in all areas of utility construction (civil, structural, electrical)
- Specializing in planning and execution of green and brownfield projects up to 500kV AC / DC
- 24 years of high voltage experience and practical knowledge

Professional experience

Transmission and Distribution Superintendent

May 2023 to Current

Burns & McDonnell (Contract Position)

Highlights, duties and responsibilities as follows:

- Onsite supervision and management of multiple discipline subcontractors
- Manage Prime contractor responsibilities
- Outage planning and coordination
- Progress reporting and analysis
- Change order management (reviews and approvals)
- Quality management (inspections and documentation)
- Engineering support (design review, consultation)
- Field Engineering RFI management and work instruction packages

Senior Utility Construction Manager

December 2018 to April 2023

Spark Power Corporation (Orbis Engineering Field Services - Utility Division)

Highlights, duties and responsibilities as follows:

- Manage execution of Altalink capital and maintenance projects in high voltage substations
- Safety program development (job safety procedures, project safety plans, safe work plan reviews (EB&G, isolation, critical lifts, rigging evaluation)
- Engineering support (substation design review and validation, RFI preparation)
- Manage subcontractors to support project requirements and schedules

- Project scheduling and staffing (construction, commissioning, and support subcontractors)
- Outage plan development
- Change order preparation and management
- Quality program development (internal and customer requirements)
- Prepared proposals and detailed estimations for small and large projects
- Safety program development (job safety procedures, project safety plans)
- Employee training and development plans
- Employee recruitment / onboarding and placement

Construction Manager

May 2008 to December 2018

BMK Power Resources Ltd.

Highlights, duties and responsibilities as follows:

- Managed projects from inception to energization (25 to 500Kv)
- Key contractor supporting EPC's and Major Utilities (Altalink, ATCO Electric, Fortis, SNC Lavalin, Burns & McDonnell)
- Project scheduling and staffing
- High voltage equipment installation and commissioning
- Outage planning and scheduling
- Quality program development
- Safety program development (job safety procedures, project safety plans)
- Prepared proposals and detailed estimation for small and large projects

Construction Supervisor

May 2000 to April 2008

BMK Power Resources Ltd.

Highlights, duties and responsibilities as follows:

- Lead field teams in all aspects of the work
- Progressed from utility worker to work leader
- Key contractor supporting EPC and major utilities (Altalink, ATCO Electric, Fortis, SNC Lavalin, Burns & McDonald)
- High voltage equipment installation and commissioning

Education

Journey Power Systems Electrician (Alberta - NAIT - 2006)

Journeymen Electrician Red Seal (Alberta - NAIT - 2003)

Skills

- Team leadership
- Project scheduling (Microsoft Project, Primavera)
- High voltage / utility work practices
- High voltage / utility project staging and interconnection planning
- Subcontract management
- Design reviews / constructibility analysis

Certifications

- Switching in high voltage stations - Altalink
- Accept isolations - Altalink / ATCO
- Qualified utility work leader - Altalink / EPCOR / ATCO
- Protective grounding stations / lines (installation of) - Altalink
- Protective grounding stations / lines (develop and review plans) - Altalink
- Leadership for safety excellence - ACSA
- High voltage terminations (Up to 138kV) - 3M
- Aerial work platform / fall arrest - Western Fire and Safety
- Hoisting and rigging - application and inspection - Crane Safety
- Boom truck training - Crane Safety
- First aid - Western Fire and Safety