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David Gladem leads the operations and maintenance organization responsible for almost a gigawatt of wind energy in the United States and Canada. David has been with ACCIONA for three years. His responsibilities include working with internal teams and third-party contractors to ensure ACCIONA’s sites are operating safely and efficiently. He oversees recruitment and training of O&M personnel and ensures his teams maintain required certifications and proficiencies.

David began his career in the U.S. Navy, where he served six years and received training in nuclear submarines. After returning to civilian life, he studied at the University of Illinois at Chicago before taking a job with ComEd working in the division that was responsible for the company’s coal, gas, and oil plants. When Edison Mission took over, he became part of the operations team at Chicago’s Crawford Generating Station. In 2008, he joined Edison’s growing renewable energy team, helping with operations and engineering during the build-out of more than 25 wind farms across the United States. David remained through the NRG acquisition in 2014, but about 18 months later, he made the move to ACCIONA.

With almost 200 employees across the United States and Canada, ACCIONA is committed to sustainability and delivering projects that slash pollution while driving community development.

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ACCIONA Energy
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"ACCIONA is renewables-only and I appreciate that mission. We have a higher purpose."

- David Gladem, ACCIONA Energy

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