

Renewable energy: Staffing for the future

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With gas prices reaching as high as \$4 per gallon in 2008, U.S. dependence on foreign oil sparked alternative energy discussions at both the state and federal levels. Although gas prices have since decreased, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which focuses on creating more than 500,000 jobs, has shifted unprecedented attention to renewable energy options, such as wind and solar energy. Even during the current economic downturn, the renewable energy sector is expected to create exponential growth within the industry.

As a leading international staffing provider, Aerotek Energy Services® is ahead of the curve when it comes to staffing within the solar and wind energy sectors. With nearly a decade of experience in the renewable energy industry, Aerotek Energy Services has provided qualified professionals including engineers, system designers, technicians, skilled laborers and electricians to alternative and renewable power customers at local, regional and national levels.

Renewable energy resources, referred to by many as “going green,” have become a popular trend in households across America, increasing overall investment in the industry. As one of the fastest growing segments within the electric power industry, renewable energy is predicted by experts to grow into a \$92 billion industry by 2013.

Wind power

As the fastest growing energy source in the United States, wind power is one of the many sectors in the renewable energy industry that President Barack Obama said would help boost the U.S. economy and the environment.

The Obama Administration also recently announced the creation of the nation’s first program to authorize offshore projects to generate electricity from wind turbines and ocean currents. This program could potentially generate as much as 20 percent of the U.S. electricity demand by 2030 if its full potential is pursued on land and offshore, creating as many as 250,000 jobs.

Wind power is a key renewable energy resource not only in the United States but also throughout the world. Global wind experts predicted earlier this year that approximately one million people in the world will be employed in the wind power industry by the end of the decade. Long-term projections estimate up to 3 million people could be employed by 2050.

Staffing for the future

Traditional energy sources, such as fossil fuels, rely heavily on expensive pieces of production equipment to complete a job. In comparison, the renewable energy sector tends to be a more labor-intensive energy source, thus promising the creation of more jobs.

Aerotek Energy Services’ recruiting pro-

fessionals continue to proactively network within the energy industry to transition professionals working in traditional energy power occupations to renewable energy positions.

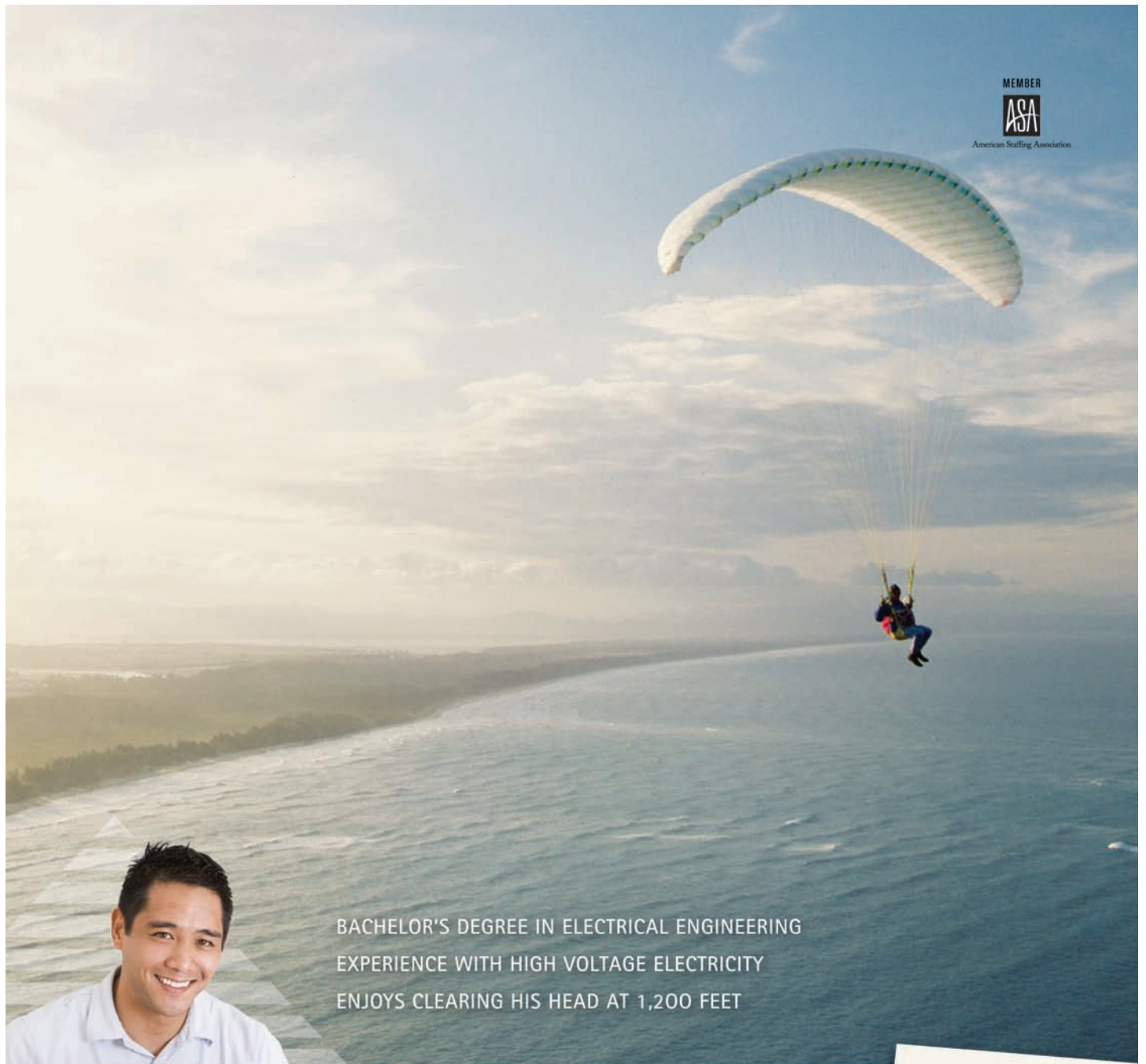
Aerotek’s recruiting services include contract, contract-to-hire and direct placement. Due to the projected increase in the labor-intensive renewable energy industry,

Aerotek recruiting professionals expect ongoing recruiting within the industry to be project-based, relying heavily on contracted positions.

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