

Organizational Change

Gate 6 Solutions, Inc. (GATE 6) is pleased to announce that Philip Townsend has been promoted to Director of Estimating. Philip has been working with GATE 6 for four (4) years as a Lead Project Estimating Consultant at DUKE Energy's Oconee Nuclear Station in Seneca, South Carolina where he has been responsible for establishing estimating tools and processes for the development and issuance of project estimates for major capital projects. Working out of the GATE 6 Corporate Offices, Philip is now accountable for leading, managing, and administering the GATE 6 estimating practice group in the efficient delivery of the highest quality cost estimating services.

Project success and effective project control is critically dependent on developing project estimates that are credible, consistent, comprehensive and well-credentialed. Without quality, reliable cost estimates, projects are at risk of experiencing cost overruns, missed schedule milestones, and performance shortfalls. Cost estimating at GATE 6 is an integrated approach centered around three critical focus areas: 1) people and organization; 2) processes and methodology; and 3) technology and tools.

The GATE 6 Estimating Group is comprised of skilled, seasoned estimators who understand the overall importance of project cost estimating and the estimating process. Being well grounded in best-in class industry estimating practices and tools, they are well prepared to assist your company with developing and maintaining conceptual, budget, definitive, and change estimates during the project lifecycle that encompass the following seminole methodologies and practices:

- Estimating Policies and Procedures
- Technical Baseline and Basis of Estimates
- Quantity Takeoffs
- Labor Content and Productivity Analysis
- Market Cost/Price Analysis and Strategy
- General and Administrative Requirements
- Escalation
- Data Collection and Data Management
- Data Validation and Analysis
- Benchmarking
- Sensitivity and Risk Analysis for Management Reserve, Contingency, and Fee Determination