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The 2018 Buyer's Guide: Your go-to source

Ever since *Wind Systems* began publishing, we have brought you our Buyer's Guide, an annual resource of company listings in the wind industry. This valuable issue is categorized and organized to best fit your — our readers' — needs. Compiled in these pages, you'll find names, phone numbers, and websites of the hundreds of companies we've made contact with over the years.

And just like the ever-growing wind industry, the listings in the Buyer's Guide grows with it, serving as a tribute to the strides wind power has made in just a short time.

We at *Wind Systems* want to encourage, cultivate, and educate a workforce of industry professionals who have a common goal — a profitable, economical, and ecological world of wind power.

The Buyer's Guide will help serve you as a go-to information guide and resource for the wind-energy industry.

We work throughout the year to make sure the companies listed in the Buyer's Guide are either directly involved in wind or provide it with products or services.

But as informative as the listings in our Buyer's Guide are by themselves, that's not all that's included in this month's *Wind Systems*.

In addition to our valuable listings, you'll find a company profile on Helukabel and how it has produced literally miles of high-quality cable for the wind industry and other areas of heavy industry.

In our Crosswinds feature, it was my privilege to talk with Texas' U.S. Rep. Jodey Arrington. He was recently given AWEA's U.S. Wind Champion Award. In the article, Arrington discusses what has helped make Texas No. 1 in the nation for its wind energy and what he is doing to continue the advancement of wind energy — not just in Texas but across the country.

If your company isn't listed but would like to be, or if you need to update your existing listing, please contact us at info@windssystemsmag.com and include "2019 listings" in the subject line. Also, please make sure to include your company name, phone number, and website as you want them to appear. And don't forget to include the section and category your company should be in.

Wind Systems' 2018 Buyer's Guide is here to serve you, so make sure you keep it within reach through the end of this year and all through the next.

And as always, thanks for reading.



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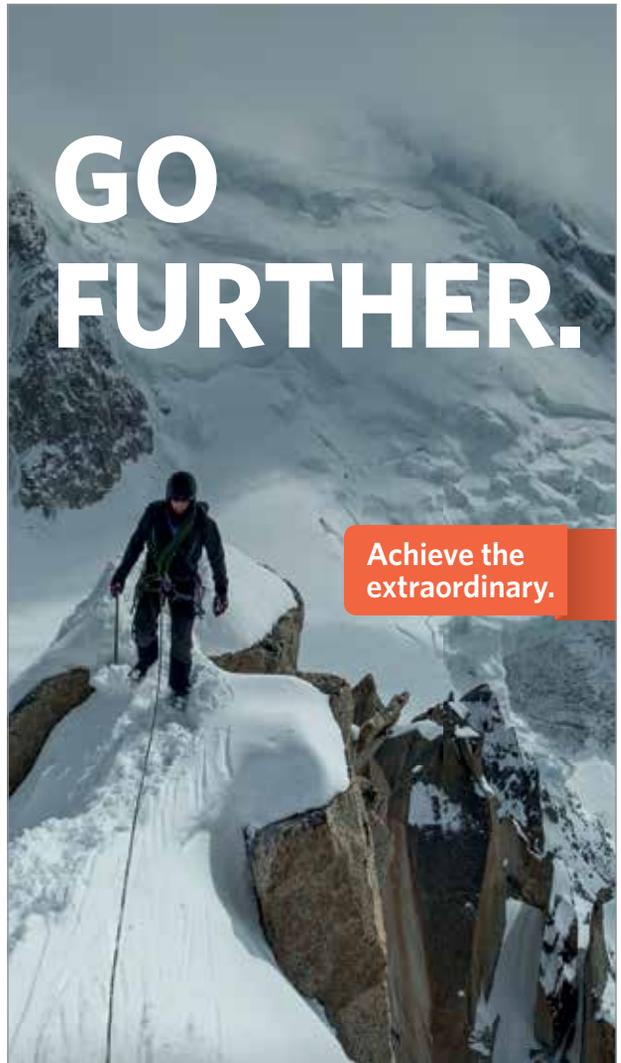
Offshore wind makes more than just power

Courtesy of AWEA

- Offshore wind turbines act as artificial reefs, creating new habitats for marine life.
- A single offshore wind turbine can support up to 4 metric tons of shellfish, according to a new report.
- The U.S. has 17 offshore wind projects in various stages of development.
- In December, Statoil paid a record \$42.5 million for the rights to develop offshore wind in federal waters off the coast of New York.
- American offshore wind projects are under development on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts, as well as the Great Lakes.

The American Wind Energy Association (AWEA) is the premier national trade association that represents the

interests of America's wind energy industry. For more information, go to www.awea.org



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