



PDS

PDS
Project & Construction
Management
Capabilities

Statement of Qualification

Delivering value to clients from project concept to completion

Project Development Solutions (PDS)

About Us:

- **Founded:** 2019
- **Business Units** – Technical Consulting, Development, and Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC), **Project and Construction Management**, Grants & Government Contracts
- **Licenses:** Licensed Class A Contractor # 1108886
- **Industry Expertise:** Energy (Solar, BESS, CSP), Microgrids, Oil & Gas, Commercial
- **In-House Capabilities:** Engineering (Mechanical, Process, Electrical, Civil), Electrical Design, **Project and Construction Management**, Grants development, Administration, Community Benefit Plans.

Core Services:

- Engineering, Procurement, and Construction Management (EPCM)
- **Project and Construction Management**
- Turnkey construction (Major Expense Projects)
- Technical Consulting
- Facilities Design
- Grant Development, Writing & Administration

Leadership Team



Tunde Deru
President & CEO

*Leadership roles in
Berry Petroleum and
GlassPoint
Managed projects
> \$500 million in the
energy sector*



Ben Okoro
EPC Manager

*31 years facilities
design and
construction
experience
with Chevron in the
US and Overseas*



Jess Benardo
Construction Mgr.

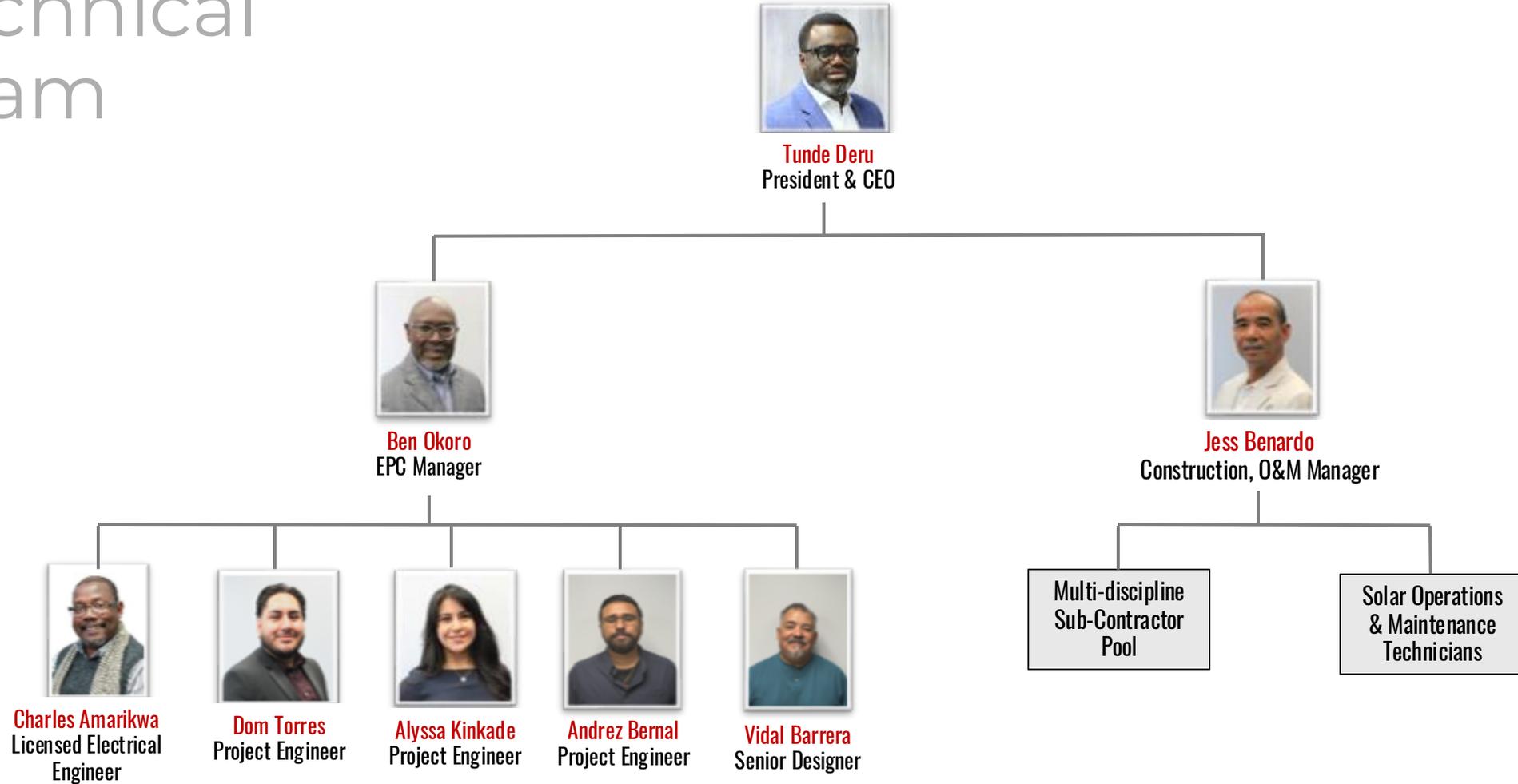
*30 years
construction
experience in
industrial,
commercial, public
and energy sectors
in the US and
Overseas*



Blair Pruett
Bus. Dev.

*40 years business
development
experience in
construction and
energy industries*

PDS Technical Team



Project & Construction Management Capabilities

Project and Program Management	Project Control
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategy Development Master Plan Development Full Lifecycle Governance Planning Feasibility Assessment Stakeholder Identification & Management Scope, Schedule & Cost Management Risk and Mitigation Management Performance Management & Reporting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control Plan Development Earned Value Management Change Documentation & Management Quality Assurance and Quality Control Performance Tracking and Reporting
Construction Management	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Owner's Representative Support Pre-Bid & Procurement Support Contractor Selection and Management Schedule & Cost Management Inventory & Material Management Build & Installation Oversight Safety Management & Oversight Quality Management & Oversight Outage & Turnaround Support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site Safety Representation Job Site Evaluations Safety Program Development & Implementation OSHA Log Maintenance Construction & Specification Installation Inspection Sub-Contractor Oversight Construction Documentation Preparation & Maintenance Job Site and Project Auditing Services
Procurement Support	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specification & Contacts Development Logistics Planning & Coordination Supplier Collaboration (RFI, RFP, RFQ) 	

Project & Construction Management Team



Tunde Deru

Role: Project Advisor

Years of Experience: 25+

Education/Certifications:

B.Sc. Mech. Engineering

Project Management

Professional

Industry Expertise:

Oil & Gas

Renewable Energy

Real Estate

Construction

Tunde Deru is Principal of Project Development Solutions (PDS), where he leads strategic business and project development across energy and infrastructure sectors in the U.S. and Africa. With over 20 years of experience, he brings deep expertise in project management, engineering, and business development spanning oil & gas, renewables, and industrial construction.

Previously, Tunde was Sales Director at GlassPoint Solar, where he led development of the Belridge Solar project—the largest integrated solar steam and power facility in California. Before that, he established and managed the Project Management Organization (PMO) at Berry Petroleum, delivering over \$400 million in capital projects aligned with the company’s five-year plan.

His strengths include PMO deployment, project controls, permitting, stakeholder engagement, and construction oversight. He has led cross-functional teams of 30+ professionals and managed annual CAPEX budgets exceeding \$100 million. Earlier in his career, he held leadership roles at Schlumberger and Processes Unlimited (now Stantec).

Career Highlights:

- **Belridge Solar Project (GlassPoint Solar):** Led project development and stakeholder negotiations for California’s largest integrated solar steam and power project.
- **Berry Petroleum PMO:** Launched and led the PMO; delivered \$400MM in CAPEX projects, saving \$20MM over four years.
- **Diatomite Facilities Projects:** Managed \$70MM annual budget and full project execution for oil asset team, covering engineering through commissioning.

Project & Construction Management Team



Ben Okoro

Role: EPC Manager

Years of Experience: 30+

Education/Certifications:

B.Sc. Mech. Engineering

Project Management

IRES Megawatt Scale - PV

Industry Expertise:

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Ben Okoro serves as the Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) Manager at Project Development Solutions (PDS), specializing in full-cycle project management and construction for large-scale energy infrastructure projects. With over 30 years of experience in the oil & gas sector, Ben has led complex capital projects across the U.S., Africa, and Latin America—from initial planning through commissioning.

Ben's expertise includes construction supervision, CAPEX program management, contractor coordination, and field execution. At Chevron, he held leadership roles such as Facilities Engineering (FE) Regional Manager and Construction Superintendent, where he oversaw field execution teams, managed construction scopes, and ensured compliance with safety, schedule, and quality standards. His oversight extended to annual budgets ranging from \$250–\$350 million and construction programs across multiple business units.

He has successfully led multidisciplinary teams through all stages of project execution—including FEED, procurement, fabrication, installation, and commissioning. Ben's field leadership included supervising infrastructure installations and upgrades at Chevron's Escravos Terminal, coordinating construction for gas and water treatment plants in San Ardo, California, and executing onshore production facility expansions in Opuekeba, Olero, and Dibi.

Career Highlights:

- **Escravos Gas Project (EGP-1):** Directed field construction and commissioning for a 365MMscfd gas processing facility, coordinating with EPC contractors and operations teams.
- **San Ardo Facility Upgrades (California):** Led field execution and construction of surface production systems, steam generators, and treatment plants under Chevron's Western California Asset Team.
- **Opuekeba, Olero, and Dibi Infrastructure Projects:** Managed the FEED, fabrication, and field installation of onshore facilities totaling over 150,000 BPD capacity.

Project & Construction Management Team



Jess Bernardo

Role: Construction Manager

Years of Experience: 30+

Education/Certifications:

B.Sc. Civil Engineering

Project Management

IREC Megawatt Scale - PV

Industry Expertise:

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Renewable Energy

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Jess Bernardo is the Construction Manager at Project Development Solutions (PDS), where he leads interdisciplinary construction teams and provides expert guidance in construction execution, project controls, and safety management. With over 30 years of global experience, Jess has managed complex industrial and commercial projects across the U.S., Philippines, Singapore, and Africa.

His background spans civil, structural, architectural, and mechanical piping systems, with a track record of successfully delivering projects in the oil & gas, renewables, pharmaceutical, chemical, and education sectors. At PDS, he oversees pre-planning, cost tracking, commissioning, and construction progress reporting for infrastructure and facility builds, including high- and low-pressure well systems.

Before joining PDS, Jess served as a Project Manager at Cenergy International, where he led capital infrastructure builds and commissioning projects in the energy sector. He also worked with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) modernization program through Enterprise Construction Inc., where he supervised daily site operations and assisted in cost estimating, scheduling, and quality control.

Career Highlights:

- **Oil & Gas Infrastructure (Cenergy):** Managed full-cycle construction and commissioning of wellsite and facility projects across California's energy sector, including AFE budgeting and contractor oversight.
- **LAUSD School Modernization Projects:** Supervised day-to-day construction of CSA, MEP, and low-voltage systems; supported project management with scheduling, estimating, and bid documents.
- **Pharmaceutical & Chemical Plant Facilities:** Directed construction management and QA/QC activities for international projects in Singapore and the Philippines, coordinating field teams and engineering staff.

Key PDS Projects

Project Title	Project Summary	Responsibilities
<p>3.6 MW Microgrid Project</p>	<p>Project Development Solutions provided comprehensive Construction Management, project engineering, design, and permitting support. Our team oversaw all aspects of onsite construction management, coordinating sub-contractors across disciplines—including electrical, civil, structural, and mechanical trades. PDS successfully managed the scheduling, delivery, offloading, and installation of all major electrical equipment (HV switchgear, MV switchgear, transformers, battery storage), three gas-powered gensets, a cooling tower, an ammonia refrigerated chiller (AGO Congelo), and an ammonia system for the gas engines' Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR), with equipment ranging from 1 to over 90 tons.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop & Manage Scope of Work (SOW) Serve as the Project Management Team Coordinate with Customers & Third-party technical team Define Document Project Goals Create Stakeholder Register Identify Required AHJ Approvals & Permits Document Facility Requirements & Expectations Prepare Conceptual Cost Estimates & Timelines Outline Project execution Strategy
<p>Elmo Medical Plaza</p>	<p>Project Development Solutions served as the Owner's Representative for this strategic healthcare infrastructure initiative aimed at expanding access to pediatric care in Kern County. The project supports health equity, regional development, and reduced travel burdens for underserved families. PDS provided executive oversight and guided coordination throughout the planning, design, and construction phases. By bridging communication among clients, contractors, vendors, and regulators, PDS maintained alignment with project goals, ensuring timely progress, accountability, and quality execution.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve as Owner's Representative Oversee Project Timeline and Quality Control Facilitate Stakeholder Engagement and Coordination Conduct Routine Site Visits and Progress Reviews Maintain Communication with Contractors, Vendors, and Regulatory Agencies Monitor and Mitigate Potential Delays Ensure Project Goals and Deliverables are Met
<p>City of Needles – Solar Carport Project</p>	<p>Project Development Solutions (PDS) provided full-service project delivery for the City of Needles' solar carport at the Colorado River Station, a clean energy infrastructure project designed to reduce municipal energy costs and provide shaded parking. PDS managed the project end-to-end, from early planning and permitting to construction and closeout. The team led electrical and site layout design, grid interconnection coordination, and ensured compliance with local permitting requirements. PDS also oversaw procurement, construction, and installation activities, delivering a fully permitted and operational solar carport system.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lead Full Project Lifecycle Management (Planning to Construction) Coordinate Electrical and Site Layout Design Develop and Submit Key Engineering Deliverables (Plot Plan, SLD, Load Summary, Equipment Layout) Manage Permitting Process and Interagency Coordination Oversee Procurement, Contractor Mobilization, and Construction Activities Ensure Quality Assurance and On-Time Delivery Facilitate Client Communication and Progress Updates Throughout Project Execution

Team Members Pre-PDS Projects

Project Title	Project Summary	Responsibilities
Escravos Gas Project (EGP-1)	<p>Led construction and commissioning for a 365MMscfd gas processing facility in Nigeria, supporting domestic energy infrastructure. The project involved complex field execution and coordination with fabricators, contractors and operations teams.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Managed the mechanical design and EPC contractor activities Managed the module assemblies at the fabrication yard Managed site installation, QA/QC compliance and safety Monitored progress, productivity, and schedules, and material deliveries and preservation Coordinated contractors, subcontractors and vendor reps Coordinated logistics and site security engagement Led commissioning and project handover to operations
San Ardo Production Facilities Revamp	<p>Managed facility upgrades including steam generators, surface equipment, and new water/gas treatment systems. Provided engineering support during design-build execution for production expansion.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Managed engineering and construction scopes Developed work packages and execution planning Coordinated contractor schedules and deliverables Tracked budget compliance and scope changes
Opuekeba, Olero, and Dibi Onshore Expansions	<p>Participated in field development planning and execution of three major oil production facilities, delivering over 150,000 BPD of added production. Responsibilities included FEED, detailed design coordination, contractor and fabrication supervision, and field execution.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Managed the design and EPC contractors' activities Managed installation of well sites, pipelines and processing facilities, including QA/QC compliance and safety Monitored progress, productivity, and schedules, and material deliveries and preservation Coordinated contractors, subcontractors and vendor reps Managed fabrication yard activities Coordinated logistics, security and community engagement Commissioned and handed over facilities to operations

Team Members Pre-PDS Projects

Project Title	Project Summary	Responsibilities
Operations Support – Various Projects	Managed asset teams providing construction support to Operations on execution of over 100 major expense jobs (MEJs) and small capital projects, typically less than \$25 million, over a period of 5 years at an Oil & Gas Company operation, overseas. Projects range from new well hook-ups, mechanical integrity repairs, pipeline/flowline installation and restoration of vandalized facilities, and diving and underwater surveys, etc.	Managed eight (8) asset and function-based construction teams, including QA/QC and Survey services Managed construction safety at all sites Managed contractor onboarding and coordination Managed logistics and security at the sites Managed fabrication shop at the terminal Provided QA/QC support and safety oversight to major capital projects (>\$25MM) in the construction phase
Belridge Solar Project	Managed the development and planning of California’s largest integrated solar steam and power facility. Oversaw site readiness, stakeholder alignment, and project risk mitigation through design, permitting, and contracting phases.	Developed execution strategy and project controls Coordinated utility interconnection and permitting Managed engineering team, scope, and deliverables Oversaw stakeholder engagement and milestone tracking Directed contracting and field-readiness planning
CAPEX Program – PMO Execution	Established and led a formal Project Management Office (PMO) overseeing \$400MM in capital projects. Standardized processes across construction management teams, improving delivery timelines and cost control.	Built and deployed construction PM framework Oversaw multi-project portfolio execution and tracking Managed project controls, scheduling, and earned value Led risk mitigation and change control processes Reported status to executive and finance leadership
Diatomite Asset Facility Projects	Delivered high-value production facilities under a \$70MM/year budget. Led engineering coordination, procurement, and field construction for steam injection systems and support infrastructure.	Directed full EPC lifecycle and site execution Tracked progress against cost, time, and quality goals Led team coordination across engineering and trades Ensured regulatory and safety compliance onsite Facilitated final commissioning and operational turnover

Team Members Pre-PDS Projects

Project Title	Project Summary	Responsibilities
Oil & Gas Wellsite Infrastructure Projects	Managed construction and commissioning for high- and low-pressure well facilities. Led pre-construction planning, AFE budgeting, and site execution to support client development objectives.	Led construction planning, contractor onboarding, and execution Developed schedules, cost tracking tools, and reporting dashboards Conducted site walks and QA/QC reviews Coordinated safety plans and compliance audits Delivered all milestones from mobilization to handover
School Modernization Projects (LAUSD)	Delivered public education capital improvements across multiple LAUSD sites. Led field construction activities and supported scheduling, estimating, and document control.	Supervised civil, structural, MEP, and low-voltage scopes Maintained daily logs, safety compliance, and inspections Updated look-ahead schedules and progress reports Assisted in RFIs, submittals, and bid document prep Coordinated subcontractors and internal QA/QC
Pharmaceutical , Chemical, and Infrastructure Projects – Singapore & Philippines	Managed construction and QA/QC operations for multiple international industrial facilities, including pharmaceutical plants, chemical processing facilities, and airport infrastructure. Projects were executed with firms such as Jacobs Engineering, Bovis Lend Lease, and Takenaka Japanese Corp., involving detailed site coordination, civil/structural management, and field execution.	Supervised CSA (civil, structural, architectural) field execution teams Managed construction compliance, QA/QC documentation, and safety Tracked productivity, schedules, and material deliveries Coordinated subcontractors at fabrication yards and construction sites Delivered turnover packages for final commissioning and client handover

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