



Knight & Carver names general manager for South Dakota blade facility

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Knight & Carver Wind Group has hired Pete Schmidt as general manager of the wind energy's firm manufacturing facility in Howard, South Dakota.

Schmidt will oversee all blade fabrication operations at the facility, which is located in the southeastern corner of the state. Previously, he spent nearly two years in a similar capacity with a major blade manufacturer, where he oversaw the manufacturing production of 43-meter blades, with an emphasis on quality control and lean manufacturing practices.

Schmidt previously worked with Hutchison Technology Inc. in Sioux Falls, S.D. for 18 years. He held a variety of leadership positions for the computer technology firms, which specializes in hard-disc drives.

He holds degrees from the University of Sioux Falls and Huron University.