

# GILBERT OBODO

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## SKILLS PROFILE

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- Power Engineer with 14+ years' experience in the telecommunications industry
- Experienced Technical Manager with 2+ years' experience
- Applied Project Management skills to oversee power systems evaluations and make recommendations
- Excellent communication skills – trained field Engineers in the operation and maintenance of power systems
- Accustomed to working as part of a large management team across Nigeria

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Customer Service Representative, Atelka, Charlottetown, Canada

August 2017

- Handles incoming inquiries from our customers in a positive and enthusiastic manner
- Actively listens to customers to better understand their needs and solve their issues
- Proposes products and services that meet the customer's needs
- Escalates customer's requests to the technical unit where required
- Ensures the customer leaves the interaction feeling reassured and impressed

### Special Project Manager, IHS TOWERS, Lagos, Nigeria

2015 – 2017

IHS Towers is one of the world's fastest growing tower operators specializing in building telecommunication towers and managing sites for major mobile network operators and internet service providers in Nigeria and other African countries. It owns and manages over 23,000 towers in Africa with about 16,000 towers managed in Nigeria.

- Managed all activities related to power solutions for new and existing sites across the network
- Managed activities leading to timely load analysis and power systems dimensioning necessary to accommodate new customers at the sites
- Ensured the operation of power systems met company's defined standards, international standards and government regulations
- Provided technical support to teams deploying alternative energy solutions
- Supported the operations team regarding daily operation of AC and DC power systems
- Managed proof of concept projects targeted at identifying new solutions that will add value to the business, and reduce the opex and capex spends of the business
- Trained company field Engineers and subcontractor maintenance teams to ensure skills gaps are bridged for existing and new power systems

### Power Planning Engineer, MTN NIGERIA COMMUNICATIONS LIMITED, Lagos, Nigeria

2009 -2014

MTN Nigeria is part of the MTN group, a South African mobile telecommunications company with subsidiaries across 21 countries in Africa and the Middle East. With over 60 million subscribers, it is the most popular and the largest mobile network operator in Nigeria.

- Ensured the correct application of cooling, DC and AC power solution for all standard and non-standard BTS/TX site configuration as specified
- Ensured the specified cooling, DC and AC power specifications for all standard and non-standard BTS/TX sites were implemented
- Audited network sites and ensured that all power related applications are duly specified and implemented
- Liaised with the network operations team to identify repeated cooling, DC and AC power system faults and ensured appropriate solutions were developed to prevent future reoccurrence

- Liaised with Line Manager, RF Planning Manager and TX Planning Manager on BTS sites requiring power upgrades or new power system deployment
- Optimized power system applications and use in MTNN BTS/TX sites.

**Regional Power Officer (*contract staff*), MTN NIGERIA COMMUNICATIONS LTD, Lagos, Nigeria 2008-2009**

- Managed end-to-end implementation of power systems in over 1000 BTS sites
- Conducted quality assurance checks on all power generation equipment for deployment to BTS sites
- Provided support to site build contractors on issues relating to power systems in MTNN sites
- Ensured site build contractors and power Engineers are trained on new equipment deployed to sites

**Project Supervisor, HUAWEI TECHNOLOGIES CO. NIGERIA LTD., Lagos, Nigeria 2005 – 2008**

Huawei Technologies Company Nigeria Limited is part of global Huawei technologies, the largest telecommunications equipment manufacturer in the world. Huawei Technologies Nigeria businesses include building telecommunications networks, managing services, providing operational and consulting services and equipment to enterprises.

- Managed the implementation of some segments of Fibre optic backbone outside plant project in over 3,500 KM across the country
- Managed the activities of sub-contractors for the preventive and corrective maintenance of customers' fibre optics outside plant facilities
- Maintained good working relationships between stakeholders especially the customer, paying great attention to their feedback on the maintenance activities
- Carried-out the stipulated half-year power attenuation test on fibre optic Backbone link and supervised the correction of any abnormality revealed by the test

**CERTIFICATIONS**

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**Certified Standard First Aider, CPR and AED, Canadian Red Cross, Charlottetown, 2017**

**Project Management Professional (PMP), Project Management Institute, Pennsylvania, USA, Nov 2017**

**EDUCATION**

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**Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical/Electronic), Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Nigeria, 1995 – 2000**  
 Equivalent to a Bachelor's degree from a Canadian University, as determined by World Education Services in Toronto, ON