

# UGE trades manual consolidation for a more strategic finance role

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# **ABOUT**

# **UGE**

Industry: Energy

Size: 200 employees

Location: USA

Existing software: Quickbooks, Microsoft Excel



"With Fluence I'm
able to spend more
time looking at what's
behind the numbers,
rather than producing
them."



Jacqueline Chevalier
Controller



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REPORTING FREQUENCY From quarterly to monthly consolidated financials



#### **RESULTS AT A GLANCE**

- More frequent reporting
- Strategic finance role
- Manual tasks eliminated
- Transparency & accuracy
- Job satisfaction boost

Finance is now able to deliver better results, faster, and be a better partner with the company's business unit heads.

-Jacqueline Chevalier Controller

## THE NEED

- UGE's business model was changing from building solar energy projects to ongoing operational ownership- from an income statement to a high growth, balance sheet driven company
- There was no central ERP, so UGE consolidated 13 entities with Quickbooks and Excel formulas
- Consolidations, cash flows, FX translations and eliminations were all handled manually by one person- UGE's corporate controller

# WHY FLUENCE

- Fluence offered automation, integration and control to prevent errors and delays in UGE's consolidation and reporting
- As the new business model ramped up, UGE needed to add new entities and map them to a single chart of accounts quickly
- The ability to meld UGE's three operating currencies through the consolidation process was particularly appealing

### THE SUCCESS STORY

- Automating manual consolidation allows UGE's small finance team to be a more strategic partner to the business
- UGE can now produce consolidated financials monthly, making quarterly statements less of a time-consuming challenge
- Finance staff can spend less time heads down doing the numbers