

Corporate Development Associate – Burnham RNG

Burnham RNG (http://www.burnhamrng.com) Burnham is a wastewater-to-renewable natural gas company that helps businesses and municipalities profitably turn waste into clean energy, water, and high-value soil additives. The company builds/acquires, owns, and operates renewable natural gas (RNG) producing facilities, with the mission to build tomorrow's resource recovery infrastructure today.

Burnham is a portfolio company of Ares Management Corporation.

To accomplish our mission, we are looking to build and grow a cohesive team in an execution- and results-oriented culture. We have created the following cultural markers and strive to hire like-minded people to help fuel our growth.

- We are HUMBLE... We take pride in the quality of our work but recognize it can always be improved with the input of others.
- We are DISCIPLINED... We strive for systemic, disciplined, consistent execution in everything we do.
- We are ANALYTICAL... We need team members who come to conclusions using logic, data, and math.
- We are ENTHUSIASTIC... We care deeply about the outcomes of our work.
- We are PROBLEM SOLVERS... We don't have all the answers and need team members to take the initiative to figure it out.
- We are FUN... We love what we do and enjoy coming to work every day.

We are seeking an entry-level **Corporate Development Associate** to join our team and help us execute on Burnham's mission and growth objectives. This role is well suited for a new or recent college graduate. The Associate will play a critical support role across all aspects of renewable natural gas project development – including strategic idea generation, market research, M&A due diligence, project development, and transaction close. The role is based in Arlington, VA, with relocation support available if needed.

In this position, you will...

- Conduct market research and analysis to identify and assess new greenfield development projects and M&A opportunities.
- Support the preparation of presentations for internal project meetings, potential customers, partners, the Board of Directors, and executive management.
- Help develop financial models and perform quantitative analyses to evaluate project viability.
- Help manage project development from feasibility to commercial operations.
- Collaborate with the engineering and permitting teams to ensure project designs meet financial and commercial objectives.
- Conduct due diligence activities, including permitting, site control, credit, and feasibility assessments.
- Coordinate with internal teams and external consultants to support project execution timelines.



- Develop proposals and responses to RFPs to secure new opportunities for the company.
- Provide regular updates and assist in presenting key decision points to internal and external stakeholders.

In this position, you will gain...

- Opportunity to be a critical team member in a fast-paced, high-growth startup that offers a collaborative, execution-oriented culture and that celebrates team wins.
- Hands-on exposure to renewable energy project development and corporate development and M&A processes, including significant exposure to quantitative analyses, financial modeling, and PowerPoint slide creation.
- "deal experience" as we anticipate reaching financial investment decisions on multiple projects over the next 2-3 years.
- Cross-disciplinary participation: at this stage in company's growth, all employees "do windows," meaning no task is above anyone, and our work regularly gives interdisciplinary exposure to project development, commodities and emissions markets, and M&A.
- Responsibility and opportunities for growth aligned with your performance and contributions.

This position is well-suited for you if you...

- Demonstrate a strong entrepreneurial spirit: You are proactive, resourceful, and eager to learn and take on new challenges.
- Have strong analytical and communication skills: You can develop clear recommendations supported by data and logic and can present them effectively.
- Excel in working collaboratively within teams while being self-motivated and organized.
- Are passionate about renewable energy and sustainability.

In this position, we will need you to have...

- A BA/BS degree in finance, economics, accounting, or a related field. We are open to academic backgrounds as broadly related as public policy or engineering, so long as you show demonstrated excellence in your field.
- Prior internship experience in strategy consulting, investment banking, corporate development, or other corporate role with experience solving complex business problems and communicating solutions is a plus.
- Strong proficiency in PowerPoint and Excel, with the ability to produce high-quality presentations and analytics.
- Interest in or exposure to renewable energy, infrastructure, or sustainability initiatives.
- Strong attention to detail and organizational skills.
- Willingness to travel up to 50% for client meetings, site visits, and industry events.

If you are currently a student at UPenn or Georgetown, please apply via Handshake. Other interested applicants should submit a resume to: christina@burnhamrng.com.



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