



**VICE PRESIDENT – GOVERNMENT AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS  
MARCELLUS SHALE COALITION, PITTSBURGH, PA**

**PERFORMANCE PROFILE**

*The Marcellus Shale and other shale gas deposits represent one of the most promising economic development opportunities the region and nation have seen in decades. The Marcellus Shale Coalition represents the member companies that are working for the responsible development of this natural resource. The VP, Government and Regulatory Affairs is responsible for leading the critical government affairs function for the MSC, and area with tremendous impact for the members of the MSC, and developing and carrying out strategies that support the business of MSC members. This position will be based in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.*

**BACKGROUND**

Founded in 2008, the Marcellus Shale Coalition (MSC) is an organization committed to the responsible development of natural gas from the Marcellus Shale and related geological formations and the enhancement of the region's economy that can be realized by this clean-burning energy source. The MSC is a nonprofit membership-driven organization led by a 45-member board with more than 300 associate members, accounting for nearly all of the drilling, much of the midstream and a wide range of key products and service providers in the Marcellus Shale region. The staff and members of the coalition work across the region to address issues with regulators, local, county, state and federal government officials and communities about all aspects of producing clean-burning, job-creating natural gas from the Marcellus, Utica and related shales.

The MSC and its member companies are fast-moving and dynamic organizations, and as a result the MSC is seeking individuals who work in a manner consistent with its culture. The MSC has grown to 15 full-time staff in the last two years to support the needs of the members in this high-growth industry. The MSC has a dedicated and influential Board of Directors and offices and staff in the Pittsburgh airport area, as well as in Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Wilkes Barre and State College, PA.

More information can be found by visiting [www.marcelluscoalition.org](http://www.marcelluscoalition.org).

**POSITION OVERVIEW**

The VP, Government and Regulatory Affairs (VP) is a newly created position that reports directly to the MSC President and serves on the MSC's Management Team along with the VPs for Policy and Communication, Technical and Regulatory Affairs, and Finance and Administration. Given the critical importance of government affairs issues for the natural gas industry, this position requires strategic planning in collaboration with the MSC member companies to anticipate the threats and opportunities facing the industry from government action, and create and execute the solutions to address those issues. The VP supervises the Government Affairs Director based in Harrisburg, PA and is instrumental in determine government affairs priorities that are then advanced by the MSC's committees and communications resources. The VP is responsible for presentations to the Board of Directors related to government affairs, staffing the Legislative Committee, as well as for supporting the government affairs priorities of committees of the Board as they arise. In addition, this position works collaboratively with the VP, Technical and Regulatory Affairs, in leading and executing the MSC's strategy related to regulatory affairs issues that have a relationship and interplay with political, policy and legislative issues of importance to MSC members.

More specifically, the VP is responsible for:

- Working with Committee leadership and members to proactively seek changes to regulations and legislation in Marcellus states, primarily Pennsylvania.

- Responding to legislative and regulatory changes by developing options for approach and implementing agreed-upon strategies.
- Developing and executing the strategy for building relationships and carrying out the MSC's work with a wide range of elected and other public officials, in collaboration, where appropriate, with other industry associations.
- Creating content and disseminating compelling fact sheets, issues summaries, summary advocacy letters, and talking points for MSC's legislative priorities and for use by grassroots action by MSC supporters.
- Fostering sustainable partnerships between the MSC and strategic stakeholder groups and leveraging these partnerships to advance the MSC's regulatory and legislative priorities.
- Identifying, planning, and executing key meetings for MSC leadership and President with state and federal government leaders.
- Leading the strategic planning and execution to include key public officials in the MSC's annual conference, membership meetings in Harrisburg and Washington, DC, and other related opportunities.
- Facilitating engagement of MSC member company representative as well as state and federal elected officials and regulators in key MSC meetings, including monthly meetings and annual conference.
- Structuring and managing strategic government affairs projects that advance the long-term goals of the organization and industry.
- Other duties as needed.

### **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

The ideal VP has a blend of the following:

- At least 15 years of state government affairs experience, ideally in Pennsylvania and/or neighboring states
- Proven supervisory and leadership experience; able to lead development and execution of programs in collaboration with colleagues
- Experience in developing and presenting strategic plans to company executives or boards of directors
- Strong written and oral communication skills
- Demonstrated technical fluency regarding regulatory issues facing the energy sector or other industrial sector
- Prior successful experience with committee-driven or group process work
- Ability to interact effectively with multiple parties concurrently
- Strategic sensibilities, with the ability to proactively anticipate future needs and issues
- Undergraduate degree in science, engineering, environmental or administrative policy, or law, with advanced degree a plus

### **COMPENSATION**

This exempt, salaried position has an attractive compensation and benefits package consistent with other membership and industry support organizations of similar size, scope, scale and industry focus. The benefits package is comprised of medical, dental, vision, retirement and vacation time as well as other benefits.

### **TO APPLY**

Send resume and cover letter via email to Todd Owens at [Todd.Owens@VantagenLLC.com](mailto:Todd.Owens@VantagenLLC.com).

*The Marcellus Shale Coalition is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*

