



Agri-Pulse Associate Editor

The Associate Editor should have a degree in Journalism or related field and possess strong writing and verbal communication skills. Agricultural and policy background is preferred, but not required.

Responsibilities include writing and filing both breaking news and in-depth analytical stories for our electronic newsletter and also the web: www.Agri-Pulse.com. In addition, the candidate should be able to take digital photos and post updates on the web and social media sites.

On a day-to-day basis, the Associate Editor will cover House and Senate committee hearings, interview members and staff, go to press conferences and also participate in meetings and events at government agencies. The ability to cultivate sources and anticipate future coverage is crucial, as is the ability to distill complex material into clear, concise communications.

The successful candidate must be a self-starter and able to work independently, while communicating with the editorial team in person, by phone and e-mail.

Candidate should have:

- A college degree in English, Journalism, or related degree
- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Knowledge about farm and rural policy issues
- Excellent grammar skills
- Ability to use Microsoft Word, Excel, Access and Content Management Systems
- Ability to work well with other people

Background:

Agri-Pulse Communications, Inc. was started by Publisher and Editor Sara Wyant 14 years ago. The firm is widely considered the most influential source of farm and rural policy news on Capitol Hill. We are looking for the right candidate who can help us expand our coverage and use a broader array of social media tools.

Our subject matter focus is farm and rural policy, which can involve topics like food and nutrition, farm programs, EPA regulations, appropriations, conservation, exports, biotechnology, and lots of other issues. As such, the Associate Editor could be working on a different topic almost everyday.

Agri-Pulse has five editors currently in D.C. and contributors around the country. Our main office is located in Camdenton, MO. and our D.C. office is located in Room 1639 floor of USDA at 14th and Independence Ave. The Associate Editor would work at the USDA location.

Contact:

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