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#### **COMPANY OVERVIEW**

For nearly 20 years, CPG has been a pioneer in the data center industry, providing full lifecycle mission-critical infrastructure solutions to many of the world's most demanding Fortune 1000 companies. CPG designs, builds, and operates data centers for the world's largest Internet based companies on earth.

CPG solutions deliver the electrical and environmental products and services needed to efficiently and reliably power, protect, and operate mission-critical facilities that support global commerce. From design, integration and commissioning, to monitoring, staffing and maintenance, CPG offers the synergy of focused expertise and personalized service combined with a holistic understanding of the entire critical infrastructure ecosystem.

- Full Lifecycle Critical Infrastructure Solutions
- Comprehensive line of power and cooling products and services
- Subject matter experts in the mission-critical arena
- Single source provider
- Personalized service, responsiveness, knowledge and trust
- Represent various OEM's to market and sell power products for regional users
- Expanding availability of products and services

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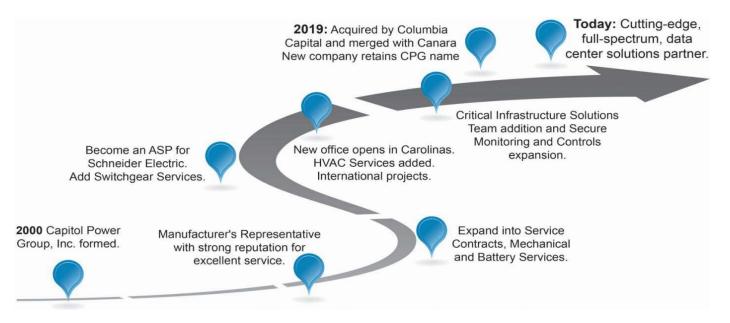
On the heels of a remarkable initial growth chapter where the Principals grew the employee base from 8 to 150+ employees on 40+% YoY revenue growth, CPG is facing it's next exciting chapter of growth through the institution of experienced industry executives to instill broader structure, policy, and procedures necessary for mature operational delivery efficiencies at scale.

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# **COMPANY HISTORY**

Originally a manufacturer's representative focused on product sales, CPG has grown into THE fullspectrum data center solution. With roots in the Electrical and Mechanical side of the business and a foundation of exceptional service, CPG searched the industry for the most innovative and exceptional minds across the industry and now also offers expertise across all areas of data center infrastructure development and maintenance.



# **CPG'S MISSION & VISION**

CPG'S mission is to reach beyond what is expected and deliver next-generation solutions and exceptional service across the full lifecycle of critical infrastructure.

CPG's vision is to be a trusted partner and innovator, providing insight, solutions and service that ensure the growth and success of our partners not just today, but into the future. And to continue to grow our company by recognizing and respecting the importance of relationships.

# **COMPANY VALUES**

- Trust with/between employees, client partners and vendor partners
- Respect for our employees, our clients, our vendors
- Relationships we care about them and foster them
- Partnership bring together respect and relationships to ensure everyone feels like a meaningful partner
- Experience and Expertise we hire the best and it is reflected in what we do
- Safety for our staff and vendors
- Integrity be honest, be real, be accountable
- Leadership the desire and ability to shape the direction of the future
- Intelligence Both Human and AI, and its ability to provide solutions that not only overcome the challenges in the industry, but also move us into the future.

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#### **CPG'S LEADERSHIP TEAM**



TOM MERTZ CEO <u>Company Profile</u> LinkedIn Profile



BEN PAWSON CFO <u>Company Profile</u> LinkedIn Profile



GERRY JEPSON President, Services <u>Company Profile</u> LinkedIn Profile



ANTHONY RIZZO President, Infrastructure Solutions <u>Company Profile</u> LinkedIn Profile

#### **FINANCIAL PARTNERS**



#### COLUMBIA CAPITAL - https://colcap.com/

Columbia Capital was founded over 30 years ago and over time has developed a profitable and repeatable investment model, guided by a specialized and experienced team. We've focused exclusively on the CMT space, and we use our experience and insights to proactively initiate and develop many of our new investments internally. Columbia professionals typically formulate new investments by identifying a compelling trend or unique asset(s), in partnership with a leading executive team.

Alongside management, we develop an execution plan where the required equity capital can be invested in stages, as the business develops scale. This process is similar whether it pertains to a new business that is created in the domain of Enterprise IT, Mobility, or Internet Infrastructure. Regardless of the sector or the specific opportunity, by taking this approach, we're usually able to buy in at attractive valuations and fund our companies in a success-based manner. Our unique approach allows us to drive attractive investment returns with relatively low mortality and capital impairment.

Columbia has a cohesive team of partners with a similar investment philosophy. The team has deep CMT roots with an average of 20 years of industry experience, including participation in both principal investing and operational roles in the sector. Over this time, the team has succeeded through different economic and market cycles, has seen industry patterns emerge, and has tracked the career trajectory of many of the current and future portfolio company executives from early in their career.







Originally started in 2000 as Capitol Power, Inc., Capitol Power Group has greatly expanded over the last decade. To reflect this growth, in 2017 we decided to change our name to CPG.

Originally a manufacturer's representative focused on product sales, CPG has grown into THE full-spectrum data center solution. With roots in the Electrical and Mechanical side of the business and a foundation of exceptional service, CPG searched the industry for the most innovative and exceptional minds across the industry and now also offers expertise in White Space solutions, IT/IDIQ, SCADA and ICS.

Our 18 years have seen exponential growth in not only offerings and expanding regional offices, but also expert staff, premier partnerships (including Schneider, E&I, and Hanley), and some impressive contracts (both domestic and international), including a \$50MM Cloud HQ project.

We've built our company from the ground up and we are still growing. Let us put that knowhow and drive to work for you and your business.

January 2019 - Columbia Capital Leads Majority Recapitalization of CPG, Merging it with Canara

# ADDITIONAL COMPANY NEWS ARTICLES

June 2020 - CPG Names Al Nielson Senior Vice President of Data Center Implementation

January 2020 – ZAF Energy Systems Deploys First Data Center to Run on Nickel Zinc Batteries

October 2019 – <u>CPG Adds Experience and Perspective to Leadership Team with New CFO and</u> <u>New Board Director</u>

September 2018 – The Five Benefits of Modular Container Design

June 2018 – CPG Expands Company Portfolio with Acquisition of OME





#### CHIEF REVENUE OFFICER

Reporting to Tom Mertz, CEO, and working in close cooperation with the Senior Leadership Team and Board of Directors, the Chief Revenue Officer (CRO) is a corporate officer responsible for all revenue generation processes and accountable for driving integration and alignment between marketing, sales, customer support, pricing, partners, and operations. The CRO will develop a strategic sales plan in cooperation with Tom Mertz and execute according to agreed upon KPIs to include increased project work and establishing long term revenue confidence. With the CRO on board the charter is to continue and exceed the current 40+% YoY growth pattern.

The CRO's duties and obligations will include performance, strategy, and alignment of revenue operations. The CRO's charter is to lead sales to ensure the accountability of the sales organization with a larger company-wide growth strategy. This will include effective management of service sales, infrastructure sales, and marketing efforts. Together with other members of the executive team, the CRO will execute the current corporate strategic plan, focusing on expansion to new customer segments and partnerships, while ultimately strengthening operations. The CRO will prove instrumental in assuring the strategic planning process by the creation of predictable and sustainable revenue acquisition forecasts.

CPG is at an exciting stage in its growth and development having already established "recognized leader" status with the world's leading internet and hyperscale data center companies. As capacity demand grows to new orders of magnitudes, the CEO and Board feel the addition of a commercially experienced CRO is necessary to take the company to the next level. This CRO will be a durable and credible executive with leadership characteristics that affect positive inertia, instill a vision, empower a culture, and open CPG up to new commercial opportunities in the market from both a sales and financing standpoint.

CPG's decision to add a CRO at this chapter sends a message of conviction and commitment to growth to the company and the market. The CRO will complement and extend Tom Mertz's career accomplishments as a strategic revenue leader. The CRO will formulate the underpinnings of a scalable revenue engine and tune everything for execution. In this regard, defining and tracking metrics, analysis, and performance benchmarks relative to multiple concurrent growth initiatives are vital.

As an executive officer, it is expected the CRO will remain cognizant and participate in improvements on product, business operations, finance, customer experience, and personnel operations. This purview will allow the CRO to learn quickly how to derive revenue from existing culture and resources, build a plan, hire to execute effectively, and get to the point of helping the company look around corners.

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# CRO NEAR TERM OBJECTIVES

- Take inventory of what is made CPG successful to date and develop a holistic strategy on how to succinctly define, leverage, extrapolate, and extend their value proposition.
- Assess current sales and marketing personnel and resources to determine how to maximize the full suite of solutions CPG offers and effectively engages with target audiences.
- Author and implement a strategy on how to retain and expand revenue with CPG's top 25 customers by expanding services and identifying opportunities to add additional value.
- Author a strategic plan on how to effectively leverage and replicate existing successes with new customers whether in new geographic markets and/or new market verticals.
- Partner with other members of the executive team to execute the current corporate strategic plan while incorporating their ideas in the development of future plans.
- Ensure performance, strategy, and alignment of the organization's revenue-generating departments
- In collaboration with the executive team, create and monitor key performance indicators for revenue acquisition in accordance with strategic growth plans.

### ROLE & RESPONSIBILITES

- Monitor the marketplace and analyze opportunities, providing competitive analysis, strategies, and tactics
- Stay well-connected with customers to ensure broad market needs are being incorporated into the product development and enhancement cycle
- Collaborate with finance, product management, and marketing on messaging, pricing strategies, and business models to achieve revenue goals
- Identify and resolve issues across the marketing/sales and account management functions
- Participate in contract negotiations
- Establish a credible and more deeply refined business plan with the CEO, Board, and senior management and be accountable for its successful execution
- Identify and capture appropriate market opportunities that leverage current capabilities and expertise to expand sales and enhance the company's valuation
- Provide the overall leadership, acumen, action and working environment necessary to build a world-class construction services enterprise which provides enduring customer value.
- Articulate the company's business plan, competitive advantages, and vision to customers, internal teams, senior leadership, the Board, and investor audiences.
- Establish realistic annual sales performance goals and define detailed plans to achieve
- Develop the marketing strategy, resources, and tools to support the business plan
- Create accountability within the company by developing appropriate metrics and aligning compensation and promotions with specific achievements
- Develop and implement robust sales management processes pipeline, account planning, and proposals
- Work closely with CFO to align financial planning, analysis, and reporting to the board
- Be aware of profitability and operating expenses to align plans with monthly, quarterly, and yearly variances
- Identify and establish strong channel and representative relationships with CPG's extended partners and suppliers



# **KNOWLEDGE & EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS**

**Revenue Generation** - Demonstrated success authoring strategic sales and marketing plans that achieve YOY revenue goals

- Broad geographic and diverse market audience reach
- Familiar with forecasting revenue cadence of long sales cycles
- Diverse sales and marketing resources leveraged including direct sales, brand management, SEO, channel relationships, advertising / sponsorship, and other strategic partnerships
- Evident rolodex reflecting extent of existing high level, influential industry relationships

**Executive Leadership** – Achieved near and long-term revenue growth goals via a holistic approach inclusive of leading people, planning, process, and resource utilization

- Strategic Alignment Makes evident and aligns people to a common path and outcome
- Multi-Disciplined Empathy for diverse functional perspectives and emphasizes the value of bridging gaps and bringing people and entities together
- Team Builder Has built sales organizations from the ground up, including the creation of effective compensation and incentive plans

**Strategic Business Acumen** – Ties business planning and decision making to purposeful outcome of increasing corporate / shareholder value

- The singular focus is a team collaboration resulting from astute understanding of broad market trends and resulting direction
- Astute "macro" revenue generation considerations of opportunities in the broader market to include strategic partners, investment sources, and M&A
- Authorship and successful execution of a business plan with demonstrated cognizance on profitability / ebitda outcomes

Market Knowledge – Currently immersed in the data center infrastructure market

- Demonstrated command of the current state of data center capacity demand, its heading and trajectory, and how to position CPG effectively
- Able to successfully navigate large enterprise and hyperscale audience's complex decision maker and influencer ecosystems
- Able to analyze, break down, and develop industry specific value propositions for the range of CPG's construction and services solutions

**Cultural Leader** – Demonstrated collaborator and motivator of diverse functions and resources across the enterprise

- Earn and maintain respect of the board, customers, prospects, and colleagues by virtue of the purposeful nature of his / her professional actions and directives
- Prior experience managing and building through a transformational environment
- Reflects the cultural substrate of existing executive team and board to include tenacity, integrity, hard work, honesty, and intelligence

**Personal Characteristics** – Charismatic and passionate individual with an intrinsic, gravitational energy and enthusiasm for business

 Critical problem solver – Sees challenges as opportunities for improvement and leads passionate dialog to address and solve problems

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- Great communicator Ability to convey the intrinsic benefit of CPG's value proposition to benefit the procurement process via high level of patience, diligence, and diplomacy
- Credibility & Humility A career relationship builder with broad influencers in the procurement process. Has been through the trenches, experienced wins and losses, and maintained personal and professional integrity with his/her extended constituency

**Evangelical** – Recognized in the data center market as credible and respected, either through a strong personal brand and/or a thought leader in the form of industry white papers, blogs, presentations, articles, etc.

- Industry speaker, advocate, and ambassador for progressive construction solutions
- Evidence of actionable activities to bring positive and sustainable change to the data center product, solutions, and services 'economy.'
- Knows and is credible with the industry leadership whose influence is necessary to enact and achieve change, for the benefit of the industry as a whole

### **KEY QUALIFYING CRITERIA**

**Leadership Acumen** – The Chief Revenue Officer will be charged with elevating the overall confidence and conviction of CPG's team via increased pipeline opportunities and resulting quality of project revenue and operating profit. The health and welfare of the entire company is positively affected with a full pipeline of work to execute.

**Critical Thinking** – The CRO must be intellectually sharp and clearly capable of thinking on his/her feet while demonstrating outstanding business judgment and analyze critical data to make or influence decisions. The CRO will build agreement and alignment and determine what is a go/no go through strong business case analysis.

**Results-Oriented** – The CRO must be performance-driven and outcome oriented requiring a demonstrated history of measurable results achieving sales and marketing performance benchmarks in a timely fashion.

**Communication** – The CRO should possess very strong communication, listening, and persuasion skills, truly partnering with the Board of Directors and management team. He/she should be comfortable, articulate, and dynamic in front of both external and internal audiences which influence the quality and success of CPG.

**Culture** - CPG's senior leadership team and investors are accomplished, prudent business professionals. The CRO needs to exemplify the discipline and conviction necessary to articulate and execute a strategy to ensure milestones are met during this formidable growth stage.

# WHY CONSIDER THIS OPPORTUNITY WITH CPG?

*Kerosene* – CPG has the design, construction, and operations excellence to scale as an organization at this time. The CRO will possess utmost confidence that CPG's value proposition will be supported and delivered effectively.



**Capital** – CPG's Board and ownership have convened to agree on the investment necessary to not only hire a CRO but support the growth plan necessary to achieve desired corporate valuation. Columbia Capital's track record of supporting similar growth initiatives is remarkable.

*Success* – CPG maintains highly referenceable credibility with their customers and consistently deliver projects on time and budget. They simply need more "at bats" with qualified audiences of influence to present and deliver.

**Culture** – CPG is emerging from a chapter of integration and has built a foundation of operational, procedural, and process excellence resulting in a pride of ownership and confidence for the years ahead. The team is aligned and enthusiastic about the direction and rate of growth.

**Chapter** – After 15 years of consistent success, CPG is entering a new chapter of market opportunity realization. The global data center market is growing unabated and CPG is poised for remarkable growth supporting existing clients while entering new verticals and markets.

**Leadership** – Tom Mertz has more than two decades of sales management leading multiple organization's revenue generation strategy and execution success. He has multiple known action items to address immediately while empowering the CRO to extend current plans.

### COMPENSATION

The CRO compensation package is expected to include a competitive base salary (relative to market and candidate's current situation), annual performance compensation, equity, and robust health benefits program. Employees have the option of choosing from affordable, employer sponsored medical coverage options, for themselves and their dependents with coverage beginning on the date of hire. The following benefits are currently offered:

- Inclusion in CPG 40lk Plan managed by American Funds. CPG provides a direct contribution equal to 3% of your compensation that is 100% vested (up to IRS employer limitations) regardless of participation
- Medical coverage A choice of 8 medical plans
- Dental and Vision Insurance Employee portion paid by CPG
- Disability insurance (Short Term/Long Term) and Life Insurance provided and paid for by CPG.
- Adoption assistance program
- Educational assistance program
- Commuter benefits program
- Learning and development curriculum

# SEARCH PROCESS

Following a thorough exchange of information relating to company information, resume, and key qualifying criteria, CFS Partners anticipates recommending a short list of candidates to Tom Mertz, CEO the first week in September in anticipation of a target start date in October or November. CRO candidates will also meet with Ben Pawson, CFO, Gerry Jepson & Anthony Rizzo, CPG Principals and Co-Founders, and with select members of the CPG Board of Directors.

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