



Waggies  
By  
Maggie & Friends

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## **Burns & McBride Partners with Waggies by Maggie & Friends**

### **To Distribute More Than 130,000 Dog Biscuits**

**Wilmington, DE, October 7, 2009** — Burns & McBride, Inc., a leading provider of heating, ventilation and air conditioning services and oil delivery, through its Burns & McBride Home Comfort and Marts Oil Service divisions, is proud to announce a new partnership with Waggies by Maggie & Friends, a natural dog treat company that employs persons with intellectual disabilities. Burns & McBride purchased 131,000 dog biscuits from Waggies by Maggie and will distribute the biscuits to its customers throughout the heating season as a thank-you for their loyalty and patronage.

Because of Burns & McBride's large order, Waggies by Maggie & Friends has expanded its team, and now employs eight part-time bakers, four days a week. All dog biscuit sales benefit Waggies by Maggie & Friends employees, who need guidance and support as they navigate the work world. The company relies heavily on community support from volunteers to empower the Waggies team and help them perfect the skills they need to make and package a quality product.

"At Waggies by Maggie & Friends, our employees are treated with the respect and dignity they deserve," says Mary Ann Nolan, co-founder of Waggies by Maggie & Friends. "Unfortunately, this isn't the case with all companies. The reality is that there are countless misconceptions about the work quality of individuals with intellectual disabilities." Nolan goes on to state, "Employers who hire individuals with different abilities soon realize the value they bring to the work place as loyal and hardworking employees."

Burns & McBride employees have been encouraged to join the volunteer effort, with the option of paid time off to visit and assist the Waggies by Maggie & Friends organization. Volunteers are always needed and greatly appreciated, to help with the baking, packaging and delivery of dog biscuits and supplies.

"Burns & McBride is proud to support this organization," says Terry McBride, Partner of Burns & McBride, Inc. "It's a great opportunity to give something back to both our community and our customers."



### **Burns & McBride, Inc.**

Since 1949, Burns & McBride has been meeting the heating and cooling needs of thousands of home owners in Delaware, as well as Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Bucks counties in Pennsylvania, and in Cumberland, Salem, Gloucester, Camden, Burlington and Mercer counties in New Jersey through its subsidiary Marts Oil Service. In the last 60 years, the company has hired and trained some of the region's most highly specialized teams and experts. Burns & McBride is a trusted resource in the mid-Atlantic region and is dedicated to earning the continued trust and goodwill of its customers. For more information about Burns & McBride, please visit [www.burnsandmcbride.com](http://www.burnsandmcbride.com) .

### **Waggies by Maggie & Friends**

Founded in 2007, Waggies by Maggie & Friends produce all-natural dog treats. The company was created solely to employ persons with intellectual disabilities and empower them to become productive contributors to society. Maggie and her friends bake, package and market the dog treats. Volunteers help guide and support the team. The company is located in Wilmington, Delaware. For more information about Waggies and where to purchase them, please visit [www.waggies.org](http://www.waggies.org) .

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