



Bioenergy 2015: Opportunities in a Changing Energy Landscape Renewable Natural Gas - Developer Perspective

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Your Economic Onsite Energy Solution

Overview

- MultiGen International
- Biogas
- Anaerobic Digestion
- Biogas Upgrade Technologies
- Development Risk
- Recommendations

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MultiGen International (MGI) – is a project development company focused on solving waste issues using **commercial** technologies

Established three legs of the stool

- Expertise
- Capital
- Partner with Commercial Technology Providers
 - Anaerobic digester
 - Food Waste
 - Animal Waste
 - Sludge
 - Gasification
 - Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)
 - Medical Waste
 - Tires

Biogas

Biogas is produced from the anaerobic decomposition of organic material

- \square Mixture of CH₄ (Methane) and CO₂
 - Can contain small amounts of Siloxanes and H2S

Main Producers of Biogas

- □ Landfill 50-60% Methane
- Anaerobic Digesters (Wastewater Treatment) 55-70%
 Methane

Biogas Generation and Utilization



Biogas Cleanup Technologies

There are multiple technologies on the market that are commercial

- Pressure Swing Absorption
- Membrane
- Water Scrubbing

These technologies scrub the gas of CO2, Siloxanes and H2S which results in gas spec similar to:

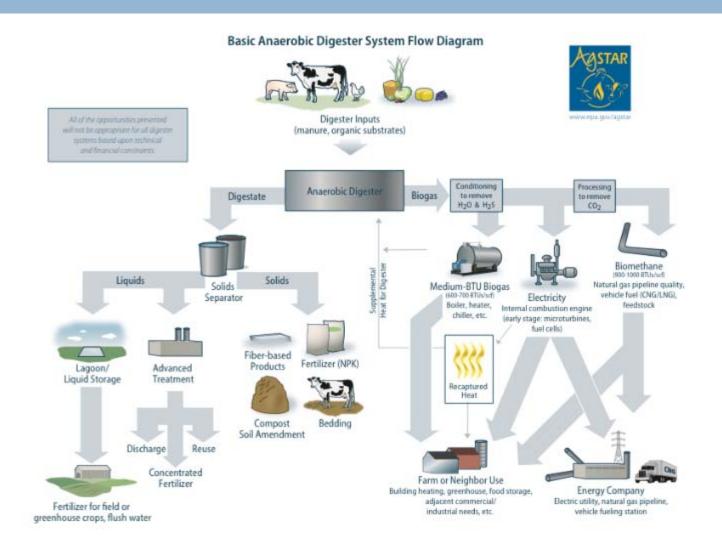
CH4: >96% CO2: ~1% O2: <0.4%

Total inerts: <4% H2S: <1 ppm H2O: <1 ppm Siloxanes: <1 pp

Anaerobic Digesters - Byproducts

- Clean biogas can be converted to:
 - Renewable Electricity Renewable Power
 - Renewable Natural Gas
 - Renewable Compressed Natural Gas Transportation Fuel
 - Renewable Hydrogen Production
 - Other Renewable byproducts
- Biosolids used for animal bedding, soil enhancement and a high quality fertilizer
- Liquid Effluent nutrient rich liquid purified and separated from the solids

Anaerobic Digestion Process Flow



Anaerobic Digester – Key Facts

- AD Systems are Commercial
- Financeable
- Solve very serious and problematic waste issues

Solid Waste Permitting

- Permitting a manure based digester project is pretty straight forward
- Once you start adding food waste you are restricted by the amount of food waste you can add based upon local or State requirements for a Solid Waste Permit.
- Food waste increases the production of gas
- A solid waste permit is very costly and time consuming
- A National Standardized process for AD systems to add food waste without going through the entire Solid Waste permitting process

National Renewable Natural Gas Specification

- Currently each Natural Gas pipe owner has different Natural Gas specifications relative to
 - \square O_2
 - \square N_2
- Stringency of pipe specifications can make or break a projects economics
- Can cost millions of dollars in added equipment to meet specification

Renewable Natural Gas Production Priority

- Currently any producer of Natural Gas can be "shut in" for any reason
- Being a small producer of Natural Gas and having an expected production capacity in the economics — being "shut in" can be very costly
- Renewable Natural Gas is
 - Renewable
 - Solves current waste issues

Navigating National Agencies

- Currently An AD project can potentially work across many agencies
 - US DOE Transportation Fuel, PPA
 - US EPA Emissions, Nutrient recovery
 - USDA Agricultural waste and recovery
 - US DOT RCNG retrofit kits, fuel quality, fueling stations
 - Department of Homeland security Avian Flu and Swine Flu
- Compound that with State and Local Agencies the education process and coordination efforts become immense
- Multiple agencies to work through a project, coordination needed from policy perspective

Recommendations

- Cross coordination of Key Stakeholders Round Table
- Create a National Renewable Natural Gas Pipeline Quality Specs
- Create a National Renewable Natural Gas Pipeline Interconnection standards
- Create a National Standardized process for AD systems to add food waste without going through the entire Solid Waste permitting process
- Move from a Grant to policy focus on wet waste

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Thank You

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