Vermont Digesters with Nutrient Recovery

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Vision, Mission & Strategies

<u>Vision</u>

For dairy farmers to be the environmental stewards of choice

<u>Mission</u>

Newtrient helps all dairy farmers reduce the environmental footprint of manure while enhancing their economic opportunities and their social license to operate

<u>Strategies</u>

- 1. <u>Technology advancement</u> Newtrient advances manure-based management and product technologies regarding:
 - Energy production (e.g. Farm to Fly)
 - Nutrient recovery
 - Value-added, manure-based products
- 2. <u>Environmental asset trading</u> Newtrient advances public and private environmental asset trading opportunities
- 3. <u>Regulatory, legislative and risk management expertise</u> Newtrient selectively provides regulatory, legislative and risk management expertise for manure-based opportunities and challenges
- 4. <u>Education and outreach</u> Newtrient helps dairy farmers, technology providers, manure-based product developers and other stakeholders assess manure-related opportunities and challenges

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Goals:

Work with dairy farmers and milk cooperatives, Vermont Dept. of Ag., milk cooperatives, Green Mountain Power and others to:

- •Build ten anaerobic digester systems
- Produce renewable energy
- •Produce value-added products from manure (F2F)
- •Add nutrient recovery technology
- •Foster development of a water quality credit program for Vermont dairy farms



Vermont Digesters with Nutrient Recovery – Outcomes

An economic analysis of ten 150 kW dairy digester systems totaling 6,000 cows indicates an annual net revenue potential of \$ 2.0 million from energy, but at this time no revenue is available for nutrient recovery.

Annual environmental benefits may include:

Renewal energy generation Carbon credits Renewable energy credits Organic fiber Recovered Phosphorus*

7.2 million kWh/yr.
15,000 tons/yr.
7.2 million/yr
29,000 yds³/yr.
93 tons/yr.



* If economic mechanism is available to support this technology

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