

**Technology/Service:** Digester Project Development, including pre-project

studies, feasibility and finance

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# **INITIAL TECHNOLOGY OVERVIEW**

This information is to guide in the development of a more specific and detailed Technology Information Request. Please answer the following questions for each Technology or Service Provided.

#### What is the name of the technology or service you provide?

Digester Project Development

Describe how this technology is used in a larger Nutrient Management System. Please be as detailed as possible.

Cenergy has the ability and experience to manage all aspects biomass-powered energy project development including manure and food waste digester projects at dairy farms and processing plants. We specialize in working with dairy farmers to develop systems that process organic waste streams to produce renewable energy, process heat, bedding, and crop nutrients including commercial products designed to repurpose nutrients as organic fertilizers and commercial peat moss replacement.

# How many systems do you have installed on dairy farms or other livestock operations?

SYSTEMS NUMBER OF SITES SIZE OF INSTALLATIONS

Dairy – digesters	3	4,100 and 15,000 wet cow equivalents
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Poultry (pending) 1 25,000 million animal units			
Do you have a preferred region or area for the location of projects?			
West, Southwest, and across the country			
Location of farm(s)?			
Idaho			
What's the smallest and largest farm using your system?			
4,100 and 15,000 wet cow equivalents			
Input and output of your unit/system – do you have a mass balance analysis?  If a mass balance is available, please include below or attach as a separate document.			
A mass balance is available for each digester project.			
Input material description and characteristics: For example: raw manure, digestate, screened digestate, suitable non-farm feedstocks, other.			
We are most experienced with scrape and flush manure collection systems. The manure slurry can be mixed with food waste for processing in DVO Liner Vortex digesters. The digester produces renewable energy, fiber and liquid recovery as fertilizer. The fiber can be used as cow bedding and a commercial peat moss replacement.			
Does the technology treat the full manure stream for a farm or a fraction of the stream?			
Cenergy systems treat the full manure stream for a dairy.			
Do you consider this a mature system or ongoing farm development?			
The technology is mature with 80 DVO systems opening for over a decade on U.S. dairy farms. We are researching and commercializing new products derived from manure.			
Any weather constraints? Yes \( \subseteq \text{No } \overline{\mathbb{M}} \) If so, please describe.			
Any bedding constraints? Yes ☑ No ☑ If so, please describe.			
No sawdust			
Output material description and characteristics:  Please include the % of the total stream for each material, i.e. 10% fiber and 90% screened liquid by weight.			
10% pathogen free solids and fiber and 90% screened liquids for lagoon storage and field application			
Do the Outputs of the process have a resale market identified? Yes ☑ No ☐  If so, under what brand name or who is the contract with?			
Fiber extracted from DVO digester effluent can be used as a soil amendment and peat moss replacement. For commercial product information see http://www.magic-dirt.com			
Is this process scalable and to what extent (top and bottom limits)? Yes 🗹 No 🗌 If so, please describe.			
The digester system can be sized for 400 to no upper limit because the system is modular.			
Do you have a known scaling factor? Yes □ No ☑ If so, please describe.			
Sizing and scaling factors are not a matter of technology but of economics.			
Does this technology require any air input? Yes ☑ No □			
Air enriched in carbon dioxide is necessary. Input is made through a low energy vacuum system.			

What is the preferred air connection? For example: psi, fitting size, air quality.  If not distributed by the system, please list each connected device.
Outside air without treatment for the engine-generator.
Does this technology require any water input? Yes ☑ No ☐ If so, please describe.
Some additional water is needed for cleaning
<b>What is the preferred water connection?</b> For example: psi, fitting size, water quality, gpm.  If not distributed by the system, please list each connected device.
Standard fittings
Does this technology require any electrical input? Yes ☑ No ☐ If so, please describe.
The digester system requires electrical input for controls, pumps and other equipment.
What is the preferred electrical connection? For example: phase #, voltage, full load amps.  If not distributed by the system, please list each connected device.
Three phase
Does this technology require any mechanical input? Yes □ No ☑ If so, please describe.
<b>What is the preferred mechanical connection?</b> For example: horsepower, connection, rpms.  If not distributed by the system, please list each connected device.
Per specification of purchased mechanical equipment
Does this system require any special plumbing? Yes □ No ☑ If so, please describe what is required.
Does this system require any special foundations or pads? Yes 🗹 No 🗆 If so, please describe.
The DVO digester is an in-ground concrete vessel and the engine/mechanical building has normal concrete foundations
Do you consider this technology part of a larger system that you provide? Yes $\Box$ No $oldsymbol{\varnothing}$ If so, please describe.
The digester can be designed as a stand-alone system or can incorporate solids separation and nutrient extraction systems
Does your system require any other components that you do not provide or are not included in your proposal? Yes
Additional components can be included such as receiving tanks, filters, separators, scrubbers, etc.
How is the system delivered to the site? For example: skid mounted, assembled on site, constructed on site.
Assembled on site with additional on-site construction
Is this system portable or configured in such a way that it could be easily transported for use in several locations?  Yes  No  If so, please describe.
Small units can be removable or mobile
Has your technology been accepted by the NRCS and is it included into a practice standard? Yes 🗹 No 🗆 If so, please describe if necessary.
Are there any unusable or hazardous byproducts of this process? Yes \Boxedon No \boxedot If so, please describe the product and recommended means of disposal.

No consumables other than oil for the engines

What spare parts and redundant components are included with the system?
Spare parts are industry standard and available.
How is the system controlled and what are the components and capabilities of the control system?
The system is automated for 24/7 operation using on-line SCADA and PLC systems.
What is the usable life of the system?
With proper O/M the system should operate 20-30 years
What is the salvage value at the end of the usable life?
Main mechanical components such as the gen-set, blowers, valves, meters, etc. have salvage value
What is the educational and technical level of competence for the operation of the system?
Trained labor should be able to operate the system. Outsourced O/M contractors are available
What level of maintenance is required for the system?  Please indicate if rebuilds or major components must be replaced and what the frequency is for these components.
Component parts require maintenance and replacement per maintenance schedule. Daily walk through inspections and periodic response to system upsets are required.
Are consumables used in the process? Yes  No

Which of these NRCS codes would your technology be classified under? Check all that apply. Add if necessary.

Please provide the nature and purchase relationship for these consumables. For example: proprietary, special contract, generally available.

CODE	NRCS DESCRIPTION	CHECK ALL THAT APPLY
472	Access Control	
560	Access Road	$\square$
309	Agrichemical Handling	$\overline{\checkmark}$
371	Air Filtration and Scrubbing	$\overline{\checkmark}$
591	Amendments for the Treatment of Agricultural Waste	
366	Anaerobic Digester	$\square$
672	Building Envelope Improvement	
372	Combustion System Improvement	$\square$
317	Composting Facility	
554	Drainage Water Management	
375	Dust Control from Animal Activity on Open Lot Surfaces	
373	Dust Control on Unpaved Roads and Surfaces	
374	Farmstead Energy Improvement	
512	Forage and Biomass Planting	
561	Heavy Use Area Protection	
516	Livestock Pipeline	$\square$

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590	Nutrient Management	
521A	Pond Sealing or Lining, Flexible Membrane	
533	Pumping Plant	
588	Roof Runoff Structure	
367	Roofs and Covers	
318	Short-Term Storage of Animal Waste and By-Products	
570	Stormwater Runoff Control	
606	Subsurface Drain	
635	Vegetated Treatment Area	
601	Vegetative Barrier	
360	Waste Facility Closure	
632	Waste Separation Facility	
313	Waste Storage Facility	
634	Waste Transfer	
629	Waste Treatment	
359	Waste Treatment Lagoon	$\square$
22132	Sewage Treatment Facilities	
	e an estimate of the capital required for the installation of this technology? components and designate if provided by you or others.	
Capital and O/M	1 estimates are available on a project basis	
Can you provide an estimate of the operational costs required for this technology?  Please include all costs and designate if provided by you or others.		
Estimates available on request		
Is there financing available for this system? Yes ☑ No ☐ If so, what are the conditions for this financing?		
Financing and grant options can be discussed on a project by project basis		
Is the system available for lease? Yes □ No ☑ If so, please describe.		
The system is not available for lease. However, third party build, own, operate business models can be considered		
	arrantee or guarantee do you provide with this technology?  ny performance guarantees or strictly defects in parts and materials?	
Warranty discussion on a project by project basis.		
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Explain how this system is unique or transformative and how does it improve upon or go beyond other technologies that are currently available.

The DVO system provides the benefits of both the plug-flow and complete mix digester technologies. The in-ground design is excellent for insulation to help maintain proper heating inside the digester. The unique mixing system minimizes parasitic loads and allows for use of a variety of organic feedstocks to be added to the manure.

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Would you be willing to provide a location for a site visit by Newtrient?	Yes 🗹	No 🗆	If so, please provide location.
Big Sky West dairy, Gooding, ID			

# **TECHNOLOGY REFERENCES**

Please provide customers with whom we can discuss this technology and its performance.

Include a company name, location, contact name and contact information.

#### Reference 1

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Are there any other facts about this technology that you feel should be included in this document?