

Farm Methane Certification

For purposes of Standard Offer Program eligibility under 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(d)(1)

Instructions:

To be completed and certified by the applicant seeking a Standard Offer contract under the “farm methane” category. Answers ***must*** demonstrate that the plant directly produces and uses methane derived from agricultural operations in accordance with 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(d)(1). Supporting documentation is required.

Section I – Facility and Ownership

1. Name of Facility: _____
2. Location of Facility: _____
3. Owner/Operator: _____
4. Is the Facility owned by a farm, or operated in direct affiliation with an agricultural operation?
☐ Yes (explain and attach documentation)
☐ No

Section II – Feedstock Source

5. Identify the agricultural feedstocks that will be used (check all that apply):
☐ Livestock manure
☐ On-farm agricultural crops (e.g., silage, energy crops grown on farm land)
☐ Farm byproducts (e.g., bedding, waste grain, crop residues)
6. Will any feedstocks from non-agricultural sources be used?
☐ No
☐ Yes (explain and specify percentage by weight/volume; note: use of non-farm feedstocks may disqualify the Facility).
7. What percentage of the feedstock will consist of livestock manure?
_____ %
8. What percentage of the feedstock will be derived directly from the daily operations of one or more farms (manure, crop residues, silage, waste grain)?
_____ %

Section III – Technology and Methane Production

9. What technology will be used to capture and produce methane?
- ☐ Anaerobic digester
 - ☐ Cooperative/community digester serving multiple farms
 - ☐ Other (explain and attach documentation)
10. Confirm that the Facility will produce methane as the primary combustible gas by volume:
- ☐ Yes (provide estimated percentage of methane by volume: _____ %)
 - ☐ No

Section IV – Farm Integration and Environmental Benefits

11. Is the Facility located on a farm property?
- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No (If no, explain how the Facility is directly tied to and integrated with the operations of one or more farms).
12. Does the Facility displace or reduce the need for manure lagoons, pits, or other on-farm manure storage?
- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No (If the Facility displaces off-farm manure storage please explain and attach documentation)
13. Will the Facility directly reduce methane emissions from manure management at the farm(s)?
- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
14. Will the Facility improve nutrient management and/or reduce nutrient loading to waterways?
- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

Section V – Financial and Program Considerations

15. Does the Facility or farm owner have access to agricultural financing or farm credit programs that support on-farm projects?
- ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No

16. Does the Facility create other benefits to Vermont such as support of its farm economy, preservation of its working landscape or odor control?

☐ Yes (explain and provide documentation)

☐ No

CERTIFICATION

I hereby represent and certify that the above information is true and accurate and that the Facility qualifies as a plant using **methane derived from an agricultural operation**, consistent with 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(d)(1) and the eligibility requirements as described by the Vermont Public Utility Commission in its Orders concerning the application of Section 8005a(d)(1) including without implied limitation Case No. 24-3359-INV, *Investigation of the standard-offer contract between Vermont Renewable Gas, LLC and the Standard Offer Facilitator*, Order of September 19, 2025.

Signature: _____

Name & Title: _____

Date: _____