



DTE Biomass Energy to Deliver Pipeline Quality Gas

ANN ARBOR, Mich., June 28 /PRNewswire/ -- DTE Biomass Energy, a subsidiary of DTE Energy (NYSE: [DTE](#) - [news](#)) announced it began producing pipeline-quality gas from its recently purchased landfill gas processing facility in Three Rivers, Mich.

The facility processes landfill gas extracted from the Westside Landfill in Three Rivers under a long-term arrangement with the landfill owner. The gas processing equipment removes carbon dioxide in landfill gas. The remaining gas, primarily methane, meets pipeline-quality specifications. The plant is designed to process 4.5 million cubic feet per day (MMCFD) of inlet landfill gas and can produce up to 2.4 MMCFD of methane gas for sale.

The addition of the gas-processing facility broadens DTE Biomass Energy's portfolio of energy uses from landfill gas. The Three Rivers project is DTE Biomass Energy's 28th project nationwide. Other DTE projects use landfill gas to produce electricity, steam, asphalt and bricks.

"We are excited to add this facility to our base of fuel supply and electric generation projects," said Richard DiGia, vice president of operations and construction for DTE Biomass Energy. "The complexity of processing landfill gas into pipeline-quality gas has enabled us to better utilize our company's technical skills. We are now turning an otherwise wasted resource into a useable product that will help serve Michigan's energy needs well into the future."

DTE Energy Trading, another DTE Energy subsidiary, will market the gas and manage the market-driven components of its distribution. The facility's processed gas will be compressed and delivered into the natural gas distribution grid.

"This cooperative effort between DTE Biomass Energy and DTE Energy Trading demonstrates one of the many ways that DTE Energy, a fully integrated energy company, can offer value and services to the marketplace," said Andrew Coppola, director of Gas Trading for DTE Energy Trading. "We expect to see more of these coordinated efforts and efficiencies from our diversified energy groups."

DTE Biomass Energy's landfill gas-to-energy projects annually collect significant amounts of methane that otherwise would escape to the atmosphere. Since 1995, DTE Biomass Energy has collected more than 85 billion cubic feet of landfill gas, which is 50 percent methane and 50 percent carbon dioxide.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency considers landfill gas to be a potent greenhouse gas that contributes to global warming with more than 21 times the effect of carbon dioxide, another greenhouse gas.



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