# FCM – Sustainable Communities Conference

## **Food Waste Diversion from Disposal**

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# **Progressive Waste Solutions (PWS)**



117

solid waste

collection operations

63 transfer stations





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48 material recovery facilities

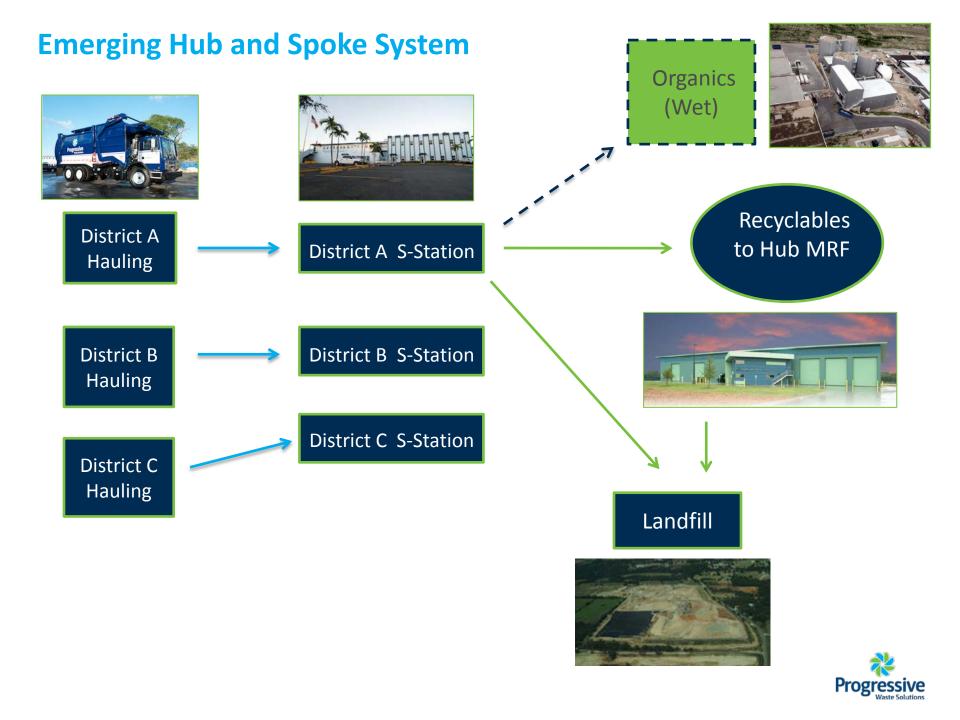
30 landfill sites 5 gas-to-energy systems

Leading collection operations in dense urban markets

Integrated Service Offering

Strategically located facilities in close proximity to urban markets





# **Sources of Organic Feedstock**

<u>Source</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
<ul> <li>Residential Green Bin</li> </ul>	42-50%
<ul> <li>Full Serve Restaurants</li> </ul>	18-22%
<ul> <li>Quick Service Restaurants</li> </ul>	10-13%
<ul> <li>Grocery Stores</li> </ul>	10-12%
<ul> <li>Food Process</li> </ul>	10-12%
<ul> <li>Rendering/FOG</li> </ul>	6 - 8%

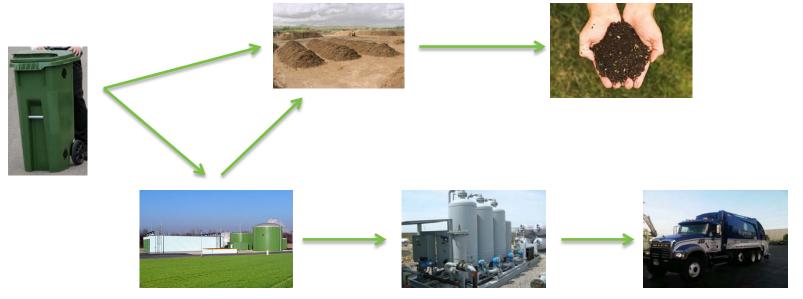


## **Organics Processing Options**

Traditional Aerobic Composting

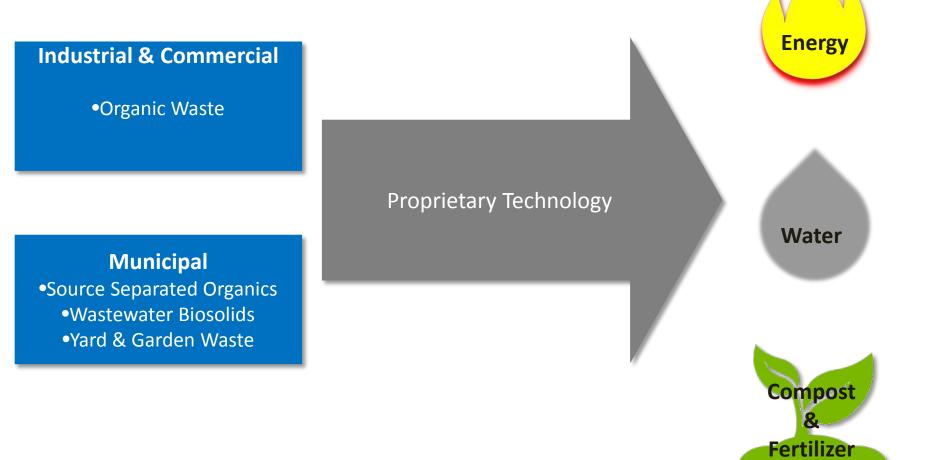


Anaerobic Digestion





# **Anaerobic Digestion Basics** Co- Processing Opportunity





## Food Waste Diversion Exploding Across Canada

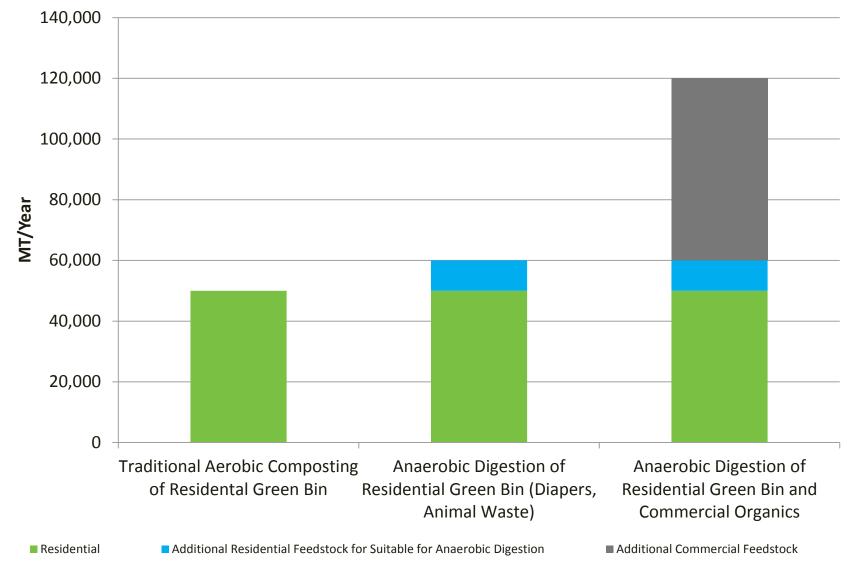
- Municipal Green Bin collection planned in:
  - Calgary
  - Greater Vancouver
  - Montreal/Quebec City
  - Winnipeg
  - Remainder of Ontario
- Strong Interest from Commercial & Industrial sources
  - Restaurants/hotels
  - Grocery and wholesale
  - Food processing
- Co-Processing Opportunity
  - Economy of scale by combining Municipal/Commercial sources
    - Optimize recipe





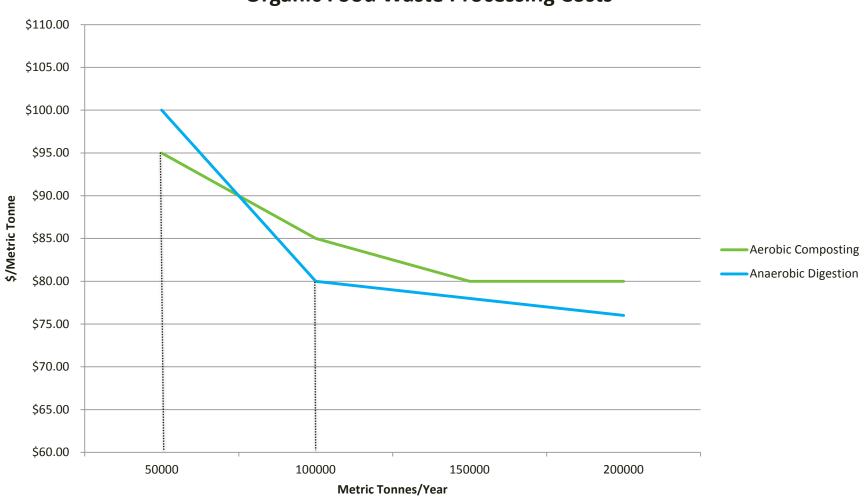


# **Maximizing Diversion from Landfill**





## **Cost Differential**



**Organic Food Waste Processing Costs** 



# Waste Transfer/Disposal Facilities Well Positioned to Site Organic Processing

#### Infrastructure

- Potential to Share:
  - •Bio-gas utilization
  - Wastewater treatment
  - •Management/operations

### Land/Permit

- AD relatively small footprint
  - Approx 4 acres
- Permit modification only

### **Co-Processing Opportunity**

- Co- Process residential AND commercial sources
- Co- Compost AD Digestate and Yard waste
- Co- Refine landfill and AD biogas to Natural Gas
  - •On-site fueling
  - •Fleet conversion to CNG





# **Processing Options: Issues and Concerns**

Parameter	Aerobic Composting	Anaerobic Digestion
Timeline for Implementation	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Public or Private Ownership	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Size and Capacity	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$
25 year life	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$
Financial/Affordability	✓ (low volume)	√√ (larger volume)
Feedstock Flexibility	$\checkmark$	$\sqrt{\sqrt{\sqrt{1}}}$
Performance/Reliability	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$
High Quality End Products	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark\checkmark$
Competitive Procurement Process	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Sustainability	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Environmental (e.g.: Odour, GHG reduction, waste diversion)	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Technology selection	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$



# The CNG Revolution !!

#### • Rapid Growth of CNG Waste Vehicles

- 70% new Solid Waste Vehicles
  - Surrey, B.C. (50 vehicles)
  - Simcoe County, Ont. (40 vehicles)
- Challenges
  - \$30K Extra/vehicle
  - Maintenance Facility Upgrade Required
    - Eg: explosion proof bays
    - Special Certification of Mechanics
  - Dedicated Fuel Station/Operator
- Benefits
  - Fuel savings
  - GHG reductions
  - Lighter/quieter vehicles
  - Potential to 'make' own fuel from AD or Landfill gas





## **Renewable Natural Gas From AD**

- Renewable Fuel From Waste
  - Typical truck = 10,000 g/yr diesel
    - 1 gal diesel = 4 M3 CNG
    - Or... 40,000 M3/yr CNG
  - 100K Tonne AD Plant = 7.5M M3/yr biogas
    - @ 65% CH4 = 5M M3/yr NG
  - Therefore...
    - 100K AD fuels waste 125 trucks





