Enhancing Digester's Performance and Energy Recovery by High Solids Wet Anaerobic Digestion- Camden County High Solids AD Case Study

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#### Agenda

- **Omnivore** high solids digestion
  - High solids omnivore digestion components
- **Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority (CCUMC) Case Study** 
  - Anaergia's key technologies in CCUMC
- **Other North American and Canadian Projects**
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#### Introduction

#### Omnivore

Advanced high-solids approach to anaerobic digestion

Anaergia's proprietary mixing system together with its thickening technology increase the solids ratio in digesters

#### **High-solids digestion enables:**

- Co-digestion of: Organic fraction of municipal solid waste, food processing waste, fats, oils and grease (FOG) or other organic industrial waste together with wastewater biosolids
- Increasing biogas production from the anaerobic digestion.

https://www.anaergia.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Tech-Brochure-Omnivore-Mar31.pdf





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#### **The Omnivore Process**



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#### **Omnivore Components**

- High Solid Mixer
- Service Box
- Sludge Screw Thickener (SST)







#### **Omnivore Components**

#### **High Solid Mixer**

- Permanent Synchronous Magnet (PSM) direct drive motor
  Similar to high-efficiency motors in electric cars
- Dynamic Mixing Control (DMC) adjusts power consumption to impart optimum mixing energy at various ranges of viscosity
- High thrust mixer delivering 30,000 GPM of flow
- More flow in 1 minute than most pump mixers deliver in 1 hour





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#### **High Solid Mixer**

#### **Advantages of High Solid Mixer:**

- Decreases digester size and required space (1/3 smaller than a traditional digester)
- Low-solids digesters convert to high-solids digesters, capable of processing more waste in the same size digester
- Lowering capital and operating expenses
- Ability to adjust the mixer position to break up floating layers and re-suspend grit
- Ability to access the mixer without taking anaerobic digester out of service







#### **Omnivore Components**

#### **Service Boxes**

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Mixers can be accessed for inspection and maintenance while the digester remains in service

Easy adjustment of mixer height and direction

Maintenance and inspection is simplified by automated mixer retrieval

Available with gas management system including over-under pressure device, sightglasses and gas collection flanges.



Service Box HP with Auto-positioner



#### **Omnivore Components**

#### Sludge Screw Thickener (SST)

- The Sludge Screw Thickener (SST) for throughputs of up to 60m<sup>3</sup>/h
- Increases the total solids percentage of sludge, manure, and digestate in municipal and industrial applications
- Continuous operation/high availability with nonclogging slotted screen baskets and uninterrupted

https://www.anaergia-technologies.com/en/products/separation/sst/







#### **Case Study-Camden Omnivore Digester**

#### **Project Location**

Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority (CCMUA), NJ

#### **Key Technologies**

- Sludge Screw Thickeners (SST)
- Anaergia Mixing Solution (with PSM Mixers and Service Box)
- AD Facility Design and Supply Omnivore AD Technology & Process Performance Guarantee
- CHP Facility Design, Build, Operate and Maintain CHP Facility to utilize the Digester Gas to Generate Electricity for the WWTP





Public Finance and Public Ownership
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#### **CCUMC Project Overview**

#### High-Solids Digestion

- 80 MGD (303 MLD) WWTP
- New sludge holding tanks
- Convert existing sludge holding tanks (<3 MG or <11,000 m<sup>3</sup>) into
  Omnivore Digesters
- High Efficiency CHP System
  - Biogas conditioning system

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- 3.8 MW high efficiency CHP units
- Recover waste heat to digester







#### **CCUMC Project Overview**

Phase 1- Anaerobic Digestion (AD)	The AD is sized to process 302,800 m <sup>3</sup> /d primary and secondary sludge produced by Camden's Delaware No. 1 Water Pollution Control Facility + up to 246 m <sup>3</sup> /w of high strength organic waste (fats oils & greases)
Contract Awarded	2016
Plant Operational	2020

Phase 2- Combined Heat and	The second part of the project included the power generation CHP	
Power Generation (CHP)	(CHP) generating 3.8 MWe by Anaergia as a design-build-operate project with a 20-	
	year O&M contract.	
Contract Awarded	2016	
Plant Operational	2019	







#### **CCUMC Project Overview**

## CCMUA Provides

#### • Project Financing

- Construction & Operation of AD Facility
- Supply Biogas/Natural Gas to CHP
- Public Ownership and all permits

### Anaergia Provides

- Design & Technology for AD Facility
- DBOM of CHP Facility (20 years)
- Performance Guarantee for AD and CHP
- Operational Savings power and sludge management





**Process Summary** 







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#### **Other North American & Canadian Projects**

## The Petawawa Net Zero Project Co-digestion Upgrade

Project Location: Petawawa, ON, Canada

**Feedstock:** Biosolids from the wastewater treatment operations along with organics from the municipal solid waste stream

**Project Outcome:** The digesters will produce biogas that will be used to fuel CHP, reducing WPCP's dependence on fossil energy and reducing its operating costs.







#### **Other North American & Canadian Projects**

#### The Petawawa Co-digestion Summary of Upgrade

- ➤ Upgrading Digester #3 for High-Solids Omnivore<sup>TM</sup> operation
  - Installation of Sludge Screw Thickener (SST) equipment
  - Installation of PSM High-Solids Mixers
  - Upgrades to existing biogas system
- Implementation of External Organics Feedstock Reception System
  - Installation of Feedstock Reception Station
  - Integration of Organics into Anaerobic Digesters
- Installation of Biogas powered Combined Heat & Power (CHP) System
- Upgrades to digestate loadout processes at the WPCP









#### **Other North American & Canadian Projects**

#### Quakertown WWTP Anaerobic Digestion and Cogeneration Facility, PA, USA

#### **Feedstock from WWTP**

Parameters	Primary Sludge (PS)	Waste Activated Sludge (WAS)
Daily Flow (gpd)	30,270	43,513
Total Solids %TS)	3.0	2.0

#### **Feedstock from External Source**

Parameters	Food Waste Slurry	FOG
Daily Flow (gpd)	42,268	9,088
Total Solids %TS)	10.0	13.0





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#### **Other North American & Canadian Projects**

#### **Quakertown AD and Cogeneration Process Summary**





#### Anaergia anaerobic digestion technology has been deployed at more than 1,000 locations in more than 17 countries

https://www.anaergia-technologies.com/en/industries/success-stories/ https://www.anaergia.com/reference-facilities/

Approximately 2,000 Municipal Wastewater Systems in Canada serving almost 86% of the total population (source: Environment and Climate Change Canada) https://www.biomb.ca/news/business-wire

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