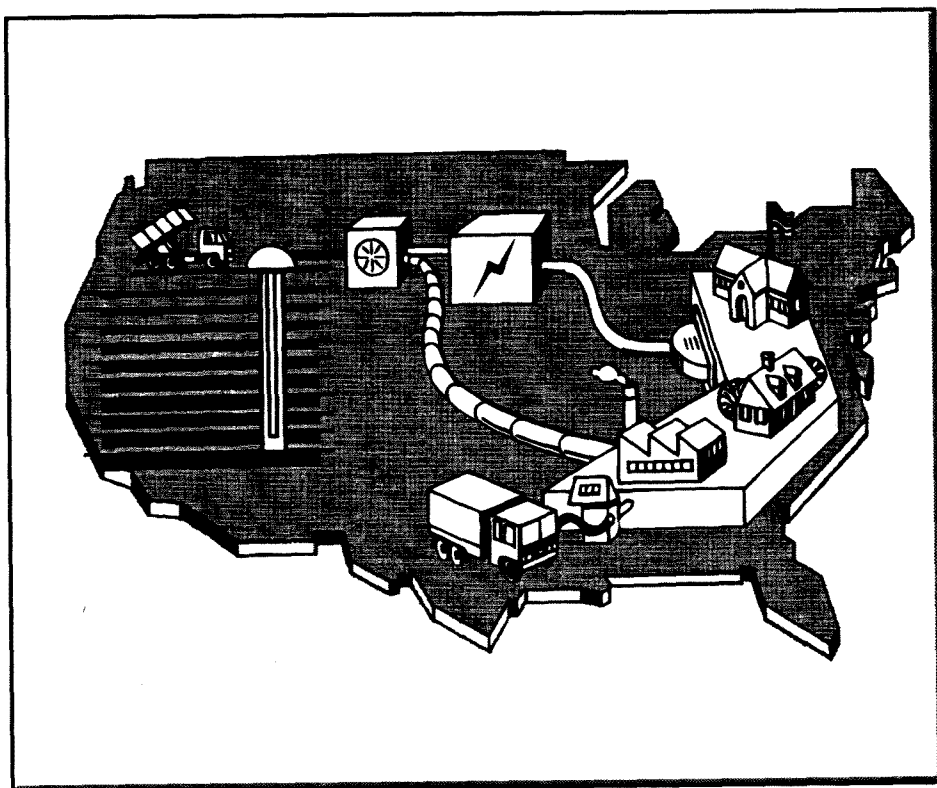




Landfill Gas-to-Energy Project Opportunities

Landfill Profiles for the State of California



EPA Landfill Methane Outreach Program



The EPA Landfill Methane Outreach Program, a key component of the United State's *Climate Change Action Plan*, encourages the use of landfill gas (LFG) as an energy resource. EPA assists utilities, municipal and private landfill owners and operators, tribes, and state agencies in reducing methane emissions from landfills through the development of profitable landfill energy recovery projects. Methane captured from landfills can be transformed into a cost-effective fuel source for electricity, heat, boiler and vehicular fuel, or sale to a pipeline. EPA estimates there are approximately 200 landfill methane recovery projects in the U.S. and that up to 750 landfills could install economically viable landfill energy projects.

The Landfill Methane Outreach Program includes five important components: the State Ally, Energy Ally, Industry Ally, Community Partner, and Endorser programs. EPA establishes separate alliances with state agencies, energy providers (including investor-owned, municipal and other public power utilities and cooperatives), key trade and public sector associations, members of the landfill gas development industry (including developers, engineers, equipment vendors, and others) and local communities, municipalities and landfill owner/operators through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). By signing the MOU, each Ally/Partner acknowledges a shared commitment to the promotion of landfill gas-to-energy recovery at solid waste landfills, recognizes that the widespread use of landfill gas will reduce emissions of methane and other gases, and commits to undertake activities to enhance development of this resource. In return, EPA agrees to provide landfill gas-to-energy project assistance and public recognition of the Allies' and Partners' participation in the program.

