

**Vermont Tech Digester FAQ**  
**Addendum**  
**December 20, 2019**

- Q: Do you require feedstock suppliers to test what they bring to the digester?  
A: *Historically, we've asked for COD/BOD testing at the outset of a feedstock relationship, but not on an ongoing basis. The state requires our feedstock suppliers to test periodically and our suppliers are asked to forward the test results to VTCAD.*
- Q: The RFP refers to a Decommissioning Plan. Is the Proposer expected to assume all costs associated with decommissioning?  
A: *Vermont Tech will entertain a range of approaches to planning for decommissioning in the worst case scenario, the details of which can be negotiated during contract discussions. Proposers should provide their best thinking on this for the purposes of the proposal, with the understanding that proposals will not be disqualified based on responses related to the Decommissioning Plan.*
- Q: Are there any existing contracts for manure?  
A: *No. Currently, the only source of manure for the digester is the Vermont Tech Farm. In the past, Vermont Tech has partnered with a local farm for additional manure. Vermont Tech will entertain an arrangement between the Vermont Tech Farm and the entity providing Operations and Maintenance. It is also possible to explore relationships with other local farms.*
- Q: Is it OK to submit more than one proposal?  
A: *Yes.*
- Q: The RFP discusses leasing and/or purchasing VTCAD. Will Vermont Tech entertain a scenario that proposes neither?  
A: *Yes.*
- Q: What are the reasons for the fluctuations in revenue at VTCAD regarding electricity generation over the course of the 4 years it's been operating?  
A: *The fluctuations are generally attributable to one of the following reasons: decreased availability of feedstock; organic overload conditions; system malfunctions; and scheduled engine maintenance/repair.*