USE CASE

MORE POWER WITH LANDFILL AND BIOGAS
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Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) is a challenging fuel that often requires support fuel for incineration. A logical location for a waste incineration plant is the landfill, where support fuel; methane forms naturally. Or biomass is sorted out of the incoming waste streams and utilized in biogas generation. Both gases work perfectly with the wasteWOIMA® power plant improving its ability to use low calorific value waste fuels and generating power cost-efficiently.

Landfill gas is an under-utilized resource in most of the landfills around the globe. This is mainly due to the complicated way of turning it into power. Collecting the gas is relatively simple; drilling methane collection wells into the landfill and connecting the collection piping network. But energy generation requires pumping stations, washing units, combustion engines etc., which all are CAPEX-intensive. Thus, even if the collection pipes have been installed, gas is typically just burnt in a torch to prevent methane leakages and potential explosions.

The wasteWOIMA® power plant offers a novel and efficient way of utilizing the landfill gas; co-combustion with the waste fuels. This will enhance the calorific value of the fuel feed and enable the power plant to incinerate solid fuels with low calorific value and/or high moisture content. Furthermore, the landfill will act as a gas fuel buffer storage that can even out fluctuations in the waste fuel quality and quantity.

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The modular wasteWOIMA® power plant uses non-toxic municipal, institutional, commercial, industrial and/or agricultural waste streams to produce saturated steam, electricity, thermal energy and/or potable water. The required waste quantity is roughly 170 tons per day, which translates to 3.7 MWe of electrical power or 2.4 MWₑ / 10 MWₜₜ in co-generation. The plant is easily delivered, quick to install, cost-efficient to run and simple to maintain offering all stakeholders significant benefits.

**BENEFITS:**

**WASTE MANAGEMENT**
- Creating new business potential
- Simplifying waste logistics
- Reducing environmental impacts
- Matching future regulations
- Postponing landfill investments
- Green image benefits

**POWER & UTILITY**
- Decentralizing power generation
- Enabling off-grid solutions
- Offering fuel & production flexibility
- Harnessing endless fuel source
- Utilizing carbon credit schemes
- Fast plant delivery

**INVESTORS**
- Excellent return on investment (ROI)
- Scalable business model
- Diversified investment portfolio
- Vendor arranged funding
- Fast project roll-out
- Plant relocation option

**OTHER STAKEHOLDERS**
- Turning waste into local welfare
- Health & environmental benefits
- Local reliable energy supply
- Educational & job opportunities
- Improving living conditions
- Implementing development funding
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