



# LCFS Life Cycle Fuel Pathway Report

## Method 2B Application: Clean Energy Renewable Fuels, LLC

**LFG collected and processed in New York; delivered via pipeline to California for use as CNG**

### 1.) Overview

This document describes the Life Cycle Analysis and Carbon Intensity calculations- based on the CA-GREET model - for the Landfill Gas-to-Compressed Natural Gas (LFG-to-CNG) pathway of Clean Energy Renewable Fuels, LLC (Clean Energy). Clean Energy is supported in fuel production under this pathway by EM Gas Marketing, LLC (EMGM), who is supplying biomethane connected to Landfill Gas produced at the Fresh Kills landfill.

In our pathway Landfill Gas is recovered from the Fresh Kills landfill on Staten Island, NY and processed using onsite LFG to high-btu natural gas facilities owned and operated by The City of New York Department of Sanitation (DSNY). Maximal capacity for raw landfill gas (containing approx. [REDACTED]) extraction at the Fresh Kills Landfill is [REDACTED] y, while maximal biomethane (minimum [REDACTED]) production capacity is [REDACTED]. An average LFG recovery distance of [REDACTED] is assumed, the map of the Fresh Kills Landfill and on-site biogas processing plant can be seen below:



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EM Gas Marketing, LLC tracks the processed LFG that is injected into the gas transmission pipelines in New York and supplies biomethane to Clean Energy CNG stations in California.

Under this pathway, conveyance of biomethane to [REDACTED] CNG stations operated by Clean Energy may be tracked. The total average quantity of CNG dispensed at these stations is [REDACTED]. All Clean Energy CNG stations are in the State of California.

The biomethane produced by the Fresh Kills processing plant is commingled with fossil natural gas when it enters the interstate pipeline system. With the support of EMGM, Clean Energy will be obligated to retain records that demonstrate that the credits it earns under the pathways described in this document correspond directly with volumes of biomethane that were produced at the landfill and subsequently sold to Clean Energy.

In our analysis we divide Clean Energy's pathway into two phases:

1. **Upstream Phase:** Steps from LFG recovery up to NG liquefaction. In this phase, LFG is processed to pipeline quality gas and delivered to California for compression and dispensing as transportation fuel. Our analysis is based on technical and production data supplied by DNSY, we used the GREET model published by ARB for pathway LNG021\_1 and modified appropriate inputs to reflect the Fresh Kills facility's operations.<sup>1</sup>
2. **Downstream Phase:** This phase covers compression and dispensing of gas at Clean Energy CNG stations, as well as tank-to-wheel emissions of CNG vehicles in California. LCA for this phase was performed by Clean Energy and approved by ARB as part of the Method 2B application process of pathway CNG009.<sup>2</sup> Carbon

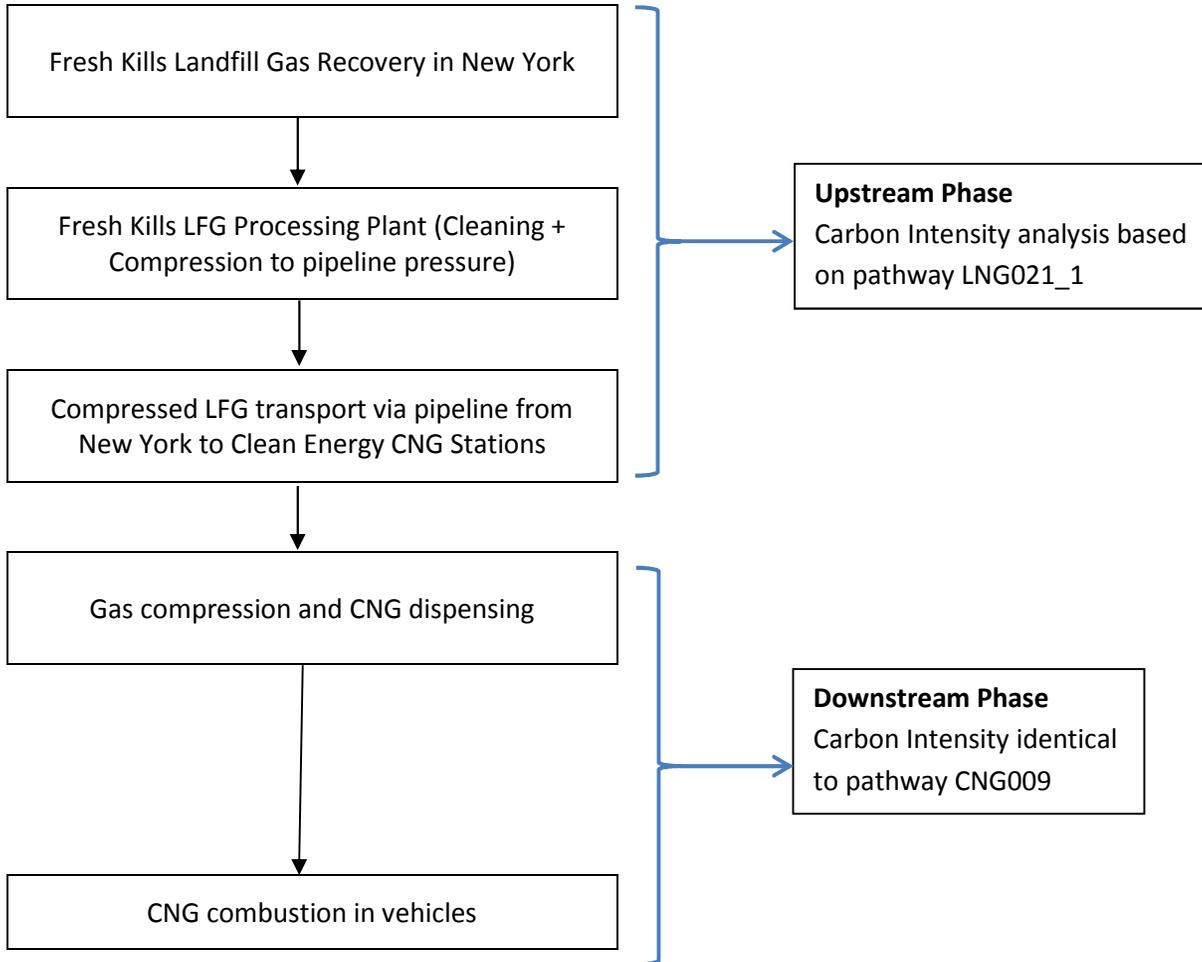
<sup>1</sup> Internal ARB-Developed Fuel Pathway – North American Landfill Gas to Compressed Natural Gas, Liquefied Natural Gas, and Liquefied Compressed Natural Gas; posted on ARB website on 05/28/2015; <http://www.arb.ca.gov/fuels/lcfs/2a2b/internal/nalfg-cng-lng-lcng-052815.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> Clean Energy CNG009 pathway - Compressed Natural Gas from Cedar Hills Washington Biomethane Landfill Gas; posted on ARB website on 8/30/2013 <http://www.arb.ca.gov/fuels/lcfs/2a2b/apps/ce-ch-083013.pdf>



Intensity values of the appropriate phases of pathway CNG009 are incorporated by reference in our analysis.

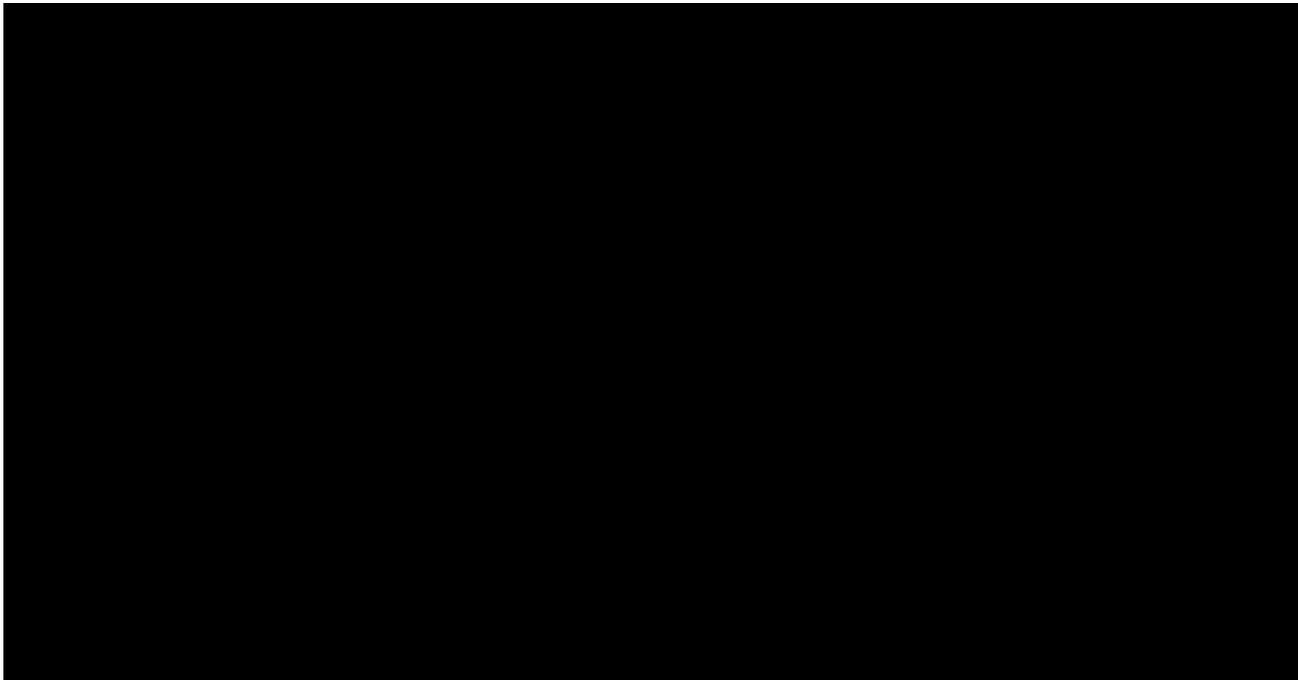
Following figure is intended to summarize the steps of the Upstream and Downstream Phase of Clean Energy's pathways:







An overview of Fresh Kill’s inputs and outputs can be seen below:



Using the [REDACTED] efficiency factor and the energy process shares between natural gas and electricity, plus a flaring credit for all energy that is captured, the total energy consumed during the processing stage of the pathway is [REDACTED] Btu/mmBtu of energy captured and the total emissions are [REDACTED]

**Assumptions:**

- The gas and electricity usage numbers are based on meter data collected from May 2012 to Aug 2014.
- LFG processing at the Fresh Kills plant is at [REDACTED] efficiency with processing fuels shares of [REDACTED]

**2.3) Natural Gas Transport**

The third step in the CNG from LFG pathway is transport of the natural gas by pipeline from the LFG processing plant to the Clean Energy CNG stations in California. [REDACTED]

Based on assumptions in the GREET model for pathway LNG021\_1, as well as the change in pipeline distance made above, the energy usage in transport and distribution stage is [REDACTED] with emissions of [REDACTED]



Assumptions

- A pipeline transportation distance of [REDACTED] from used in the calculations.

2.4) Downstream Phase

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Table 1. CNG Station Plant Operating Efficiency

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All Units in Btus per GGE	Compression	Input Value	Changed Cells – NG Tab
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Table 2. CNG Compression Greenhouse Gas Emissions

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Recovery and Processing Emissions	Compression
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
gCO2e/MJ	2.77

<sup>4</sup> 109,772 Btu/GGE default CA-GREET value



### 3.) Results From CA-GREET Model

#### *LFG-to-CNG Pathway*

The following table contains the total energy usage and Carbon Intensity of each step of Clean’s LFG-to-CNG pathway:

	Energy Required [Btu/MMBtu]	GHG Emissions [gCO <sub>2</sub> e/MJ]
Landfill Gas Recovery and Transport to Processing	██████	██
Landfill Gas Processing	████████	██
Natural Gas Transport	██████	██
Compression at CNG Station	██████	██
CNG Tank to Wheel	████████	██
<b>Total</b>	<b>351,105.81</b>	<b>24.68</b>

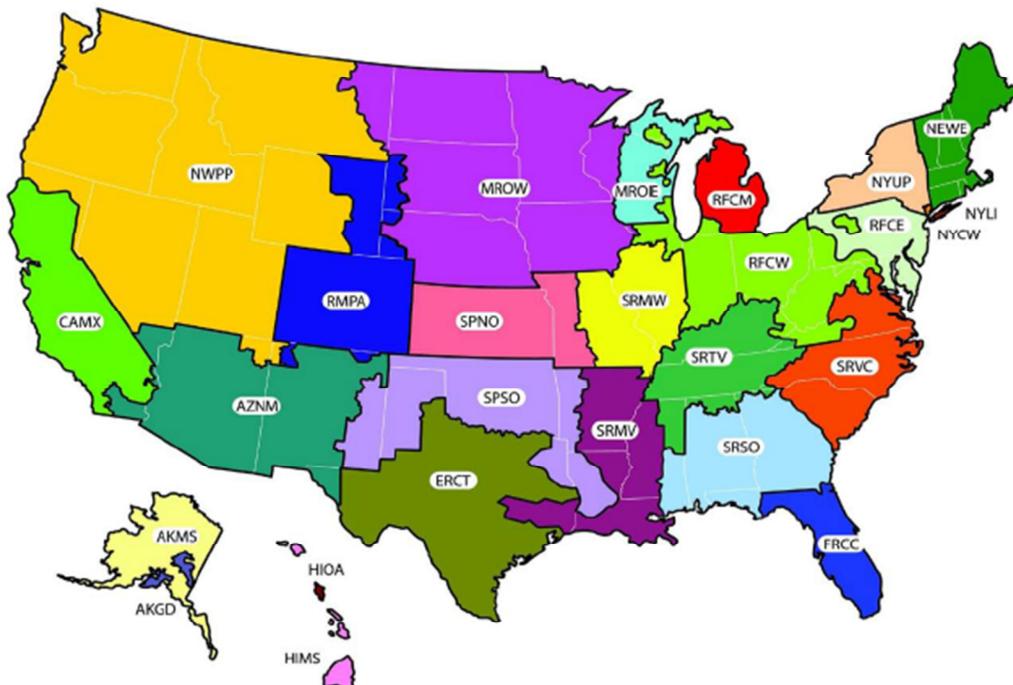
As seen above, Clean’s LFG-to-CNG pathway has a total energy usage of **351,106 Btu/MMBtu** and a Carbon Intensity of **24.68 gCO<sub>2</sub>e/MJ**.



# Appendix A - Year 2010 eGRID Subregion Resource Mix

[http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/documents/egridthips/eGRID\\_9th\\_edition\\_V1-0\\_year\\_2010\\_Summary\\_Tables.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/documents/egridthips/eGRID_9th_edition_V1-0_year_2010_Summary_Tables.pdf); page 5; downloaded: 11/21/2014

eGRID subregion acronym	eGRID subregion name	Nameplate capacity (MW)	Net Generation (MWh)	Generation resource mix (percent)										
				Coal	Oil	Gas	Other fossil	Biomass	Hydro	Nuclear	Wind	Solar	Geo-thermal	Other unknown/purchased fuel
AKGD	ASCC Alaska Grid	1,522.2	5,332,020.2	11.6362	10.1930	69.3962	0.0000	0.0000	8.7746	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
AKMS	ASCC Miscellaneous	713.2	1,415,158.2	0.0000	27.7721	3.5193	0.0000	0.4455	67.3723	0.0000	0.8909	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
AZNM	WECC Southwest	49,321.6	178,271,415.3	39.4515	0.0661	33.4001	0.0056	0.3422	6.1810	17.5014	0.6882	0.1295	2.2368	0.0000
CAMX	WECC California	75,066.4	212,172,138.5	7.1466	1.1510	50.4490	0.2316	2.6248	15.1942	15.1767	3.0538	0.3564	4.3187	0.2970
ERCT	ERCOT All	100,595.3	345,382,525.6	34.8358	0.7898	44.9525	0.1266	0.1306	0.2040	11.9680	6.8938	0.0024	0.0000	0.0968
FRCC	FRCC All	64,862.9	217,890,866.6	24.3846	4.1835	57.3321	0.6049	1.6658	0.0815	10.9853	0.0000	0.0369	0.0000	0.7254
HIMS	HICC Miscellaneous	895.3	2,952,481.9	1.6723	69.1861	0.0000	7.4198	3.6384	2.3852	0.0000	8.8441	0.0599	6.7941	0.0000
HIOA	HICC Oahu	1,925.6	7,883,564.0	18.9780	76.9519	0.0000	1.9673	2.1028	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
MROE	MRO East	8,897.0	32,293,505.5	69.4580	2.1436	4.0010	0.0783	3.2994	3.3210	15.4528	2.1402	0.0000	0.0000	0.1058
MROW	MRO West	55,325.0	203,656,312.3	65.2593	0.1544	3.1566	0.1293	1.2099	5.8722	14.2313	9.8081	0.0000	0.0000	0.1789
NEWE	NPCC New England	36,485.3	129,920,243.4	10.8375	0.8196	45.2791	1.5167	5.6102	5.9300	29.5263	0.4698	0.0000	0.0000	0.0101
NWPP	WECC Northwest	69,721.0	267,967,318.0	31.3015	0.3279	14.3386	0.1423	1.2372	43.5510	3.4486	4.8371	0.0000	0.6973	0.1179
NYCW	NPCC NYC/Westchester	13,906.9	40,916,871.9	0.0000	1.2934	57.3676	0.4697	0.5234	0.0000	39.8873	0.4585	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
NYLI	NPCC Long Island	6,000.4	12,148,487.3	0.0000	6.8312	85.4961	3.5635	4.0093	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
NYUP	NPCC Upstate NY	25,067.6	88,551,618.2	15.3388	0.8398	22.2004	0.3017	1.6451	28.1600	28.8520	2.8622	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
RFCE	RFC East	74,350.1	274,646,405.8	35.2745	0.5476	20.6192	0.6873	1.2794	1.0071	39.9059	0.6887	0.0104	0.0000	0.0000
RFCM	RFC Michigan	29,590.2	91,571,321.5	68.0216	0.3973	13.2495	0.6563	1.8774	0.0000	15.1705	0.6284	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
RFCW	RFC West	147,391.4	598,607,320.8	68.5984	0.3959	4.1640	0.4478	0.4818	0.6593	23.7740	1.4141	0.0042	0.0000	0.0808
RMPA	WECC Rockies	18,178.1	65,206,132.2	72.9959	0.0427	17.1257	0.0000	0.0923	3.9125	0.0000	5.6469	0.0770	0.0000	0.1070
SPNO	SPP North	11,261.8	69,418,232.2	72.8397	0.2706	7.9546	0.0394	0.0792	0.1460	13.7654	4.9051	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
SPSO	SPP South	44,883.8	148,456,365.7	52.1508	1.2466	35.9421	0.2062	1.4223	4.4055	0.0000	4.6285	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
SRMV	SERC Mississippi Valley	50,942.3	178,667,075.4	22.9107	1.1187	46.9265	1.0137	1.8933	1.3544	24.5124	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.2703
SRMW	SERC Midwest	33,454.6	135,896,937.1	80.9052	0.0814	4.0123	0.0576	0.1064	1.0568	12.9569	0.6540	0.0000	0.0000	0.1695
SRSO	SERC South	71,782.9	270,641,138.1	52.3701	0.3031	24.6072	0.1211	2.6539	2.6959	17.2486	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
SRTV	SERC Tennessee Valley	62,065.4	236,050,232.4	58.7899	1.0760	10.4018	0.0144	0.8583	6.5970	22.2454	0.0172	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
SRVC	SERC Virginia/Carolina	80,849.7	311,931,345.0	45.7303	0.5484	11.7297	0.1706	1.9584	1.4920	38.2454	0.0000	0.0036	0.0000	0.1215
U.S.		1,145,056.0	4,125,847,023.5	44.7748	1.0174	23.9686	0.3498	1.3571	6.1730	19.5589	2.2864	0.0290	0.3689	0.1162



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