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## **ACRE AgTech's Newest Client Extracts Drinking Water from Manure**

ACRE AgTech welcomed Digested Organics LLC as a new client on May 15, 2017. Digested Organics provides the agribusiness sector with sustainable waste management, alternative energy, and water reclamation solutions. ACRE AgTech will use its resources to connect Digested Organics with agricultural and food processing operations that can benefit from their product line.

Digested Organics, an Ann Arbor based company, was founded in 2013 with the goal of improving the way society manages organic waste. Simply put, their system can take all different kinds of organic waste—manure, vegetable scraps, beverage waste—and digest it into a fiber component, a nutrient component, and a reusable water component. Initially targeting food waste from grocery stores and food processors as well as solids from municipal wastewater treatment systems, owner Bobby Levine soon saw the tremendous opportunity to help dairy and swine operations manage their manure and nutrients more effectively. With 425,000 dairy cows and 2,000 swine farms in the State of Michigan, Levine began looking for ways to connect with those producers and reached out to ACRE AgTech for assistance.

ACRE's Business Development Manager, Doug Huesdash, got to know Levine, his team, and their products in order to determine how ACRE's services could benefit their organization. It soon became clear that this would be a mutually beneficial relationship. Levine commented "The ACRE team has been responsive to our needs before and since becoming a client. They helped us secure a Michigan based sales representative almost immediately as well as several new customer contacts. We value the connections and business expertise they have and look forward to continuing to work with ACRE to reach our goals." ACRE will continue working alongside Levine and his team to help them achieve their business goals while helping producers and food processors solve their waste and nutrient management issues.



**Ben Brancel, Wisconsin Secretary of Agriculture, and Bobby Levine, CEO of Digested Organics, drink water extracted from manure**

Digested Organics has successfully installed their technology onsite at Majestic Crossing Dairy, a dairy farm in Wisconsin. As a result of using Digested Organics' technology on their farm, Majestic Dairy is able to process their 20,000 gallons of manure per day into clean water for farm use and surface water discharge, while at the same time harvesting energy through biogas generation. The water that is produced from the manure is so clean that Majestic Dairy has obtained a surface water discharge permit from the DEQ, a permit that has stringent requirements.

Digested Organics will be onsite at Michigan State University's Anaerobic Digestion Research and Education Center through June 23 demonstrating how their technology functions by running test samples from food processors, farmers with manure management issues, and anyone with wastewater challenges. For more information about Digested Organics LLC or if you are interested in providing a sample, please contact Dan Morton, their sales representative, at 616-437-3294 or visit their website at [www.digestedorganics.com](http://www.digestedorganics.com).

ACRE AgTech, formerly the Great Lakes Ag-Tech Business Incubator, has been providing connections and resources to agtech entrepreneurs in Ottawa County and across Michigan since December, 2014. For more information about ACRE AgTech, please visit our website, [www.acreagtech.com](http://www.acreagtech.com), or contact us at 616-994-4745 or [info@acreagtech.com](mailto:info@acreagtech.com).

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