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## **Vanguard Renewables Named 2018 Organics Recycler of the Year**

Wellesley, Ma. – Vanguard Renewables was named 2018 Organics Recycler of the Year by the National Waste & Recycling Association. The award recognizes the substantial contribution that Vanguard’s Farm Powered organics recycling and renewable energy production program is making to protect the environment and advance the waste and recycling industry. Vanguard is based in Wellesley, Mass.

“The entire Vanguard team is extremely proud to receive this award. Our Farm Powered organics recycling and farm-based anaerobic digester program is the first to vertically integrate the organics feedstock chain and farms to solve food waste challenges, generate renewable energy, and sustain farms,” said John Hanselman, Founder and CEO.

Vanguard’s Farm Powered operating portfolio of anaerobic digesters represent the largest organics recycling destination in the Northeast with nearly 200,000 tons per year of combined on-farm and off-farm organics being processed. Vanguard’s current program of single stream and co-digestion facilities in development reaches across six states.

“These awards honor the very best in the industry for excellence in educating the public and smart ways to recycle; creating innovative approaches to advance our work, constructing state of the art recycling facilities, and revolutionary partnerships that help protect the environment and increase collaboration with the recycling ecosystem,” said NWRA President and CEO, Darrell Smith.

In Massachusetts, by the close of 2018 Vanguard’s Farm Powered facilities will recycle and process 500 tons per day of food waste and 120 tons per day of manure from Massachusetts farms and leading Massachusetts food manufacturers, businesses, institutions, and food users including Gillette Stadium, MGM Springfield, Gorton’s Seafood, Cabot Creamery, Treehouse Brewing, Cape Cod Potato Chips, and Whole Foods.

### **About Vanguard Renewables**

Headquartered in Wellesley, Mass., Vanguard Renewables develops, constructs, owns, and operates farm-based clean energy systems that recycle food waste and farm waste producing safe and reliable Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) or Renewable Electricity (RE). Completing a closed loop organics to energy lifecycle, Vanguard’s Farm Powered operating portfolio of anaerobic digesters represent the largest organics recycling destination in the Northeast. [www.vanguardrenewables.com](http://www.vanguardrenewables.com)

### **ABOUT NWRA**

The National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA) represents the private sector waste and recycling services industry. Association members conduct business in all 50 states, and include companies that manage garbage, recycling and medical waste, equipment manufacturers and distributors, and a variety of other service providers. [www.wasterecycling.org](http://www.wasterecycling.org)

