

Agriculture Subcommittee Progress Report

**Steering Committee Meeting
14 March 2013**

Vancouver, Canada

Co-Chair Allison Costa (United States)



Overview

- **Activities since October 2011**
 - Subcommittee Meetings
 - April 2012 internet meeting
 - July 2012 meeting in Singapore
 - November 2012 internet meeting
 - March 2013 meeting in Vancouver
 - Subcommittee Projects
 - Statement of Purpose
 - International Best Practices Guide

- **Next Steps**

Subcommittee Meetings

- Internet Meeting, April 2012
 - Discussion Included:
 - Methods to increase participation in subcommittee
 - Results from survey of delegates
 - Development of a Statement of Purpose

Subcommittee Meetings (*continued*)

- Singapore Meeting, July 2012
 - Discussion Included:
 - Statement of Purpose
 - Participants discussed the draft Statement of Purpose.
 - Subcommittee Projects
 - Based on discussion at the meeting, the subcommittee proposed the development of an international best practices guide for agriculture projects.

Subcommittee Meetings (*continued*)

- Internet Meeting, November 2012
 - Discussion Included:
 - Finalization and adoption of Statement of Purpose
 - International Best Practices Guide
 - Co-chairs presented the template for case studies
 - Planning for Methane Expo 2013

Subcommittee Meetings (*continued*)

- Vancouver Meeting, March 2013
 - Tour of Bakerview EcoDairy in Abbotsford, CA
 - Discussion Included:
 - Country Updates
 - Subcommittee Projects
 - Intensive review of draft *Successful Applications of AD across the World*



Subcommittee Projects

- **Statement of Purpose**
 - Based on a survey of Agriculture Subcommittee members & defines:
 - Subcommittee's mission
 - Focus of Subcommittee's work
 - Continue to focus on anaerobic digestion; receive updates on enteric fermentation and rice cultivation
 - Roles of delegates and project network members
- **The final Statement of Purpose is available online:**
http://www.globalmethane.org/documents/ag_statement_of_purpose.pdf

Subcommittee Projects (*continued*)

- International Best Practices Guide
 - First step is compilation of case studies.
 - Partners and Project Network members submitted case studies.
 - Draft *Successful Applications of AD from across the World* was reviewed in Vancouver.
 - Next step will be revision and incorporation of additional case studies.

Next Steps

- Meetings
 - Internet meeting in Fall 2013
- Projects:
 - Agriculture Subcommittee will finalize *Successful Applications of AD from across the World*.
 - The subcommittee will discuss the development of the next phase of the guide - economic aspects of AD projects and financial incentives from various countries.

