The 91st Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant is Now Capable of Processing Raw BioGas at a Rate of 3,250 scfm

**Technology Type:**
Design-Build | Own, Operate, and Maintain | Wastewater Biogas-to-Renewable Natural Gas

**Contract**
20-Year Biogas Purchase Site Lease Agreements

**Facility Size**
~1 acre of land connected to an interstate pipeline via 3-mile RNG pipeline

**Capable of Processing Raw BioGas**
3,250 standard cubic feet per minute

**Annual RNG Injection Into Commercial Pipeline**
693,500 DTH

**Summary**
Ameresco designed, built, owns, operates, and maintains (DBOOM) the largest wastewater treatment biogas-to-renewable natural gas (RNG) facility of its kind in the United States. The wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) is owned by the sub-regional operating group (SROG) member cities: Phoenix, Glendale, Mesa, Scottsdale, and Tempe and is operated by the City of Phoenix.
Solution

Using innovative energy technologies, Ameresco processes raw biogas generated at the 91st Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) into renewable natural gas (RNG) suitable for injection into the nation’s high-pressure natural gas pipeline. The RNG is sold on the open market as vehicle fuel under the EPA’s Renewable Fuel Standard Program.

- Biogas purchase and site lease agreement
- Design, build, own, operate, maintain WWTP
- 3-mile renewable natural gas pipeline
- Interstate pipeline connection

This innovative partnership allows us to turn waste into resource by converting biogas, a byproduct of wastewater treatment, into renewable energy. This not only benefits our regional economy, but also reduces greenhouse gas emissions. Phoenix has set ambitious sustainability and renewable energy goals, and this kind of public-private partnership will help us get there.

Kate Gallego
Mayor, City of Phoenix

Benefits

Through a public-private partnership, Ameresco’s processing plant utilizes a previously untapped energy resource by “cleaning” raw biogas generated at the WWTP into RNG, a carbon-neutral green energy commodity.

- Royalty payments from raw biogas sale
- Operational and maintenance savings for the wastewater treatment plant
- Achievements towards sustainable and renewable energy goals
- SROG reduces footprint by 44,671 metric tons of CO₂ per year which has an equivalent green benefit of roughly 70,452 cars taken off the road annually

Ameresco’s team of energy experts can assist you in identifying the solution that fits your needs.

For more information about Ameresco and our full-range of energy efficiency and renewable energy solutions, please call 1-866-AMERESCO or visit ameresco.com.