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Dairy and Livestock Working Group
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## Deliverable #2: Electricity Generation and Grid Interconnectivity

Recommendations for cost effective ways to further mitigate criteria pollutant emissions for on-site electricity generation projects, including market development incentives, policy development, removing barriers, and regulatory or legislative action.

Issue	Discussion	Recommendation
A) Electricity production and sales, including programs like the BioMAT FiT program, provides an important revenue stream and financial diversification for dairy digesters.	a) In March 2018, CPUC adopted a decision to continue the BioMAT FiT program, which expires in 2021.  b) CPUC staff is currently conducting a program review and plans on releasing draft recommendations in the near future. CPUC may open a new phase of the proceeding to consider staff's recommendations and other proposals to revise the program	1) The BioMAT Fit program provides an important revenue stream for financing dairy digester projects and should be extended by the CPUC.  2) As part of the BioMAT FiT program review and any follow-up proceeding, the CPUC should ensure public discussion and consideration of the following program revisions:  a. ways to modify the BioMAT FiT program that will provide greater flexibility for project operations to migrate to and from electric generation, onsite vehicle fueling and/or pipeline injection.  b. Possible ways to capture value from LCFS electric pathway opportunities for both procuring and producing parties.

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¹ PG&E recognizes the importance of electric generation contracts in diversifying dairy digester project financing opportunities but does not support extension of the BioMat FiT program at this time. PG&E prefers dairy digester biomethane be utilized for pipeline injection.