



# AFRI BIOSECURITY PROJECT CASE FARM



Pictured above is the Monument Farms methane digester which is scheduled to be completed in 2011.



## Monument Farms

In 1930 Richard and Marjory James started Monument Farms Dairy with a simple home delivery route. 80 years later Richard's grandchildren are running the dairy which operates out of Weybridge, Vermont. Their facility employs over 35 people and milks around 500 cows, producing nearly 5,000 gallons of milk a day. The long term investment in the processing and bottling facility allows Monument to serve as a direct distributor of Vermont milk to many regional outlets..

Monument Farms Dairy was named Addison County Chamber of Commerce (ACCOC) Business of the Year in 2009 and Monument Farms has won several other awards over the years for their quality products, customer service, and their commitment to the community, including: ACCOC Business of the Month; Vermont Farm Bureau Agribusiness of the Year; and was inducted into the Vermont Agricultural Hall of Fame in 2009.

Monument Farms is also very proud to be socially and environmentally conscientious. In 2008, Monument Farms, Inc received the 2007 Lake Champlain Farm Award for "Outstanding Commitment to Lake Water Quality". As Monument Farms Vice-President Jon Rooney says, "We like to package as pure a product as possible," in reference to the outstanding quality and purity of their products. Their anaerobic digester is expected to come on-line in 2011.

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