

Money for Manure

In August 2007 the Sustainable Heat & Power Europe GmbH successfully accomplished the Carbon Management for the validation of 5 biogas plants in the Netherlands. The biogas plants are primarily operated with liquid manure of pigs or cattle, renewable primary products as well as with wastes from the agricultural and food industry. The independent validator TÜV Rheinland has now released the final determination protocols and therefore approved the biogas plants as emission reduction projects. Due to the operation of the 5 plants yearly emissions of about 2.000 tons of methane and therefore, considering also other emission reductions, more than 40.000 tons of CO₂e are avoided each year. SHP Europe has generated the PPDs (Project Design Documents) on behalf of ARA Carbon Finance GmbH and had taken over the coordination with the operating companies and the validator. The emission certificates are now going to be marketed as so-called VERs (Verified Emission Reductions).