



United States Department of Agriculture

Requesting Approval to Use New Technology for Handling Regulated Garbage

Anyone wishing to use new technology in the handling of regulated garbage **must** send a signed letter requesting approval of the new technology to the APHIS Administrator at the following address:

Administrator
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
c/o AQI VMO Director
USDA-APHIS-PPQ Field Operations
2150 Centre Ave Bldg B
Fort Collins, CO 80526

Alternatively, a **signed** letter requesting approval to use new technology on regulated garbage may be sent to the APHIS Administrator by email at the following address:

ppq.ops.regulated.garbage@aphis.usda.gov

In the letter, in addition to the actual request, include the following information:

1. A complete and accurate description of the new technology.
2. A detailed description of the equipment including information regarding the equipment's ability to generate recording data to support the effectiveness of the equipment in mitigating for foreign plant and animal pests and diseases.
3. Scientific evidence that the equipment is capable of preventing the introduction and dissemination of foreign animal and plant pests and diseases via regulated garbage.
4. Scientific literature supporting the new technology as capable of eliminating foreign animal disease agents and plant pests in regulated garbage and preventing the introduction and dissemination of foreign animal and plant pests and diseases via regulated garbage.