



Anheuser-Busch

Bio-Energy Recovery Systems

Anheuser-Busch is the world's largest operator of Bio-Energy Recovery Systems (BERS). BERS is a method of turning the nutrients in leftover water from the brewing process into renewable biogas.

A-B's BERS Operations BERS technology is used at nine of Anheuser-Busch's 12 U.S. breweries and one of its overseas breweries. These include the company's breweries in Baldwinsville, N.Y.; Cartersville, Ga.; Columbus, Ohio; Houston, Texas; Jacksonville, Fla.; Los Angeles, Calif.; Merrimack, N.H.; Newark, N.J.; St. Louis, Mo.; and Wuhan, China. A tenth U.S. facility has been funded for the Fairfield, Calif. brewery.

Anheuser-Busch began using BERS technology at its New Jersey yeast facility in 1985.

Renewable Energy Source In 2006, almost 2 trillion BTUs were generated through the use of BERS, enough to provide heat to more than 25,000 homes.

BERS provides up to 15 percent of Anheuser-Busch's fuel needs at nine of its U.S. breweries and one of its overseas breweries.

Community Benefit A-B's BERS technology also reduces the electricity demand on community wastewater treatment facilities by reducing wastewater strength or organic material in the leftover water.

Helping the Environment Substituting biogas for fossil fuels reduces brewery emissions of carbon dioxide. It also reduces other air pollutants that would result from community wastewater treatment facilities.

Awards Anheuser-Busch has received more than 40 awards for its Bio-Energy Recovery Systems.

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