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## **BioHitech America Supports New Massachusetts Food Waste Ban**

## Legislative Trends Continue To Enforce Eco-Friendly Alternatives To Landfills

CHESTNUT RIDGE, NY – OCTOBER 1, 2014 – BioHitech America, the most innovative and sustainable solution company for food waste disposal, endorses the Massachusetts commercial food waste ban which went into effect today. The ban, which is the strictest food-waste legislation to date, requires that businesses and institutions producing one ton or more of food waste per week must divert it from landfills.

"With the growing challenges of climate change and depletion of our Earth's natural resources, the inefficient processes for waste collection and disposal need to be reformed in order to provide a better solution," said Frank E. Celli, Chief Executive Officer of BioHitech America. "The Massachusetts law banning food waste helps reduce the needs for landfills, decrease greenhouse gasses, saves on disposal costs, and helps turn trash into vital resources needed for the continued survival of our environment."

Experts estimate that nearly 1,700 businesses in Massachusetts including hospitals, hotels, grocery stores, restaurant chains, universities, etc. will be subject to the new ban.

"Massachusetts joins Vermont and Connecticut which already have imposed bans on the disposal of food waste," added Mr. Celli. "We are seeing this shift becoming a trend, upcoming legislation has been passed to start in New York City in July 2015 and others will follow. Sustainable alternatives are no longer just a social responsibility; they are becoming a mandatory requirement."

Every year, more than 34 million tons of food waste ends up in landfills that release harmful methane gas into the environment. As landfills continue to run out of space and companies

continue to generate an excess of food waste, a growing number of jurisdictions are starting to restrict or ban food waste from going to landfills.

## **About BioHitech America**

BioHitech America's unique solution to food waste combines green technology with the power of big data to offer transparency, savings and a sustainable future. The company's Eco-Safe Digester, an on-site aerobic digester, eliminates up to 2,400 pounds of food waste in a 24-hour period by converting it into nutrient-neutral water and transporting the water safely through standard sewer lines. The BioHitech Cloud, a technology platform hosted by Amazon, measures key metrics to optimize the food waste disposal process. These metrics are providing the industry with an unprecedented level of transparency that not only helps to reduce the amount of waste generated, but improve company-wide efficiency and profitability.

BioHitech America was recently selected to participate in the exclusive Credit Suisse Private Innovation Circle event. Their solution is the leading sustainable method that allows businesses to move towards the prevention of waste altogether. For more information, please visit www.biohitech.com.

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