



"CLEANER PRODUCTION INITIATIVES AND CHALLENGES FOR A SUSTAINABLE WORLD"

## Utilization of Energy in Municipal Solid Waste Landfill

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## **Abstract**

In developing countries the landfills stand out as a way for final disposition of the urban solid waste by showing the lower cost and the engineering techniques that aim the minimization of the impacts to the public and environmental health. In this sense, this study makes the emergy synthesis of a landfill in the city of São Paulo. That has a project of environmental compensation and electric energy generation by burning biogas. The total emergy of the system equals 1,22x10<sup>20</sup> sej. And the specifc emergy of the USW are equivalent to 8,36x10<sup>11</sup> sej/m³ and transformity of the electric energy that was produced is 4,67x10³ sej/J.

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