

LIFB Farmer Members Now Eligible for Free Compost

For the first time ever, commercial farmers belonging to the Long Island Farm Bureau can receive top-quality compost for their growing and planting needs – at absolutely no cost. This unique opportunity is available through a program presented to Joseph Gergela and the LIFB Board by longtime Farm Bureau supporter Charles Vigliotti, president of Long Island Compost and winner of the Farm Bureau’s “Friend of Agriculture” award.

“For ten years, we have partnered with East End farmers as part of our innovative ‘on-farm’ composting program,” explained Vigliotti. “The time has come to expand the program in a way that will benefit everyone involved. I think we’ve come up with an excellent win-win program.”

According to Vigliotti, farmers who want to take advantage of his proposal can designate a

portion of their land to the production of rich, organic compost. Long Island Compost then takes care of every detail – maintaining, aerating, turning and screening the compost. In the end, the farmers get to use all the compost for their own needs, representing a value of approximately \$100,000 per farm.

Why would Long Island Compost invest so much time and expense into a program that ultimately results in free compost? Because as operators of major yard waste transfer stations used by landscapers, the company would like to see organic waste “recycled” right here on Long Island, where it can benefit the local farming industry.

This willingness to take extra steps to protect the environment and Long Islanders is one reason why



Long Island Compost just received the prestigious MVP Award for Agriculture from the Long Island Association, the region’s largest business and trade association.

“Everyone knows us for our strong commitment to farmers and the environment,” concluded Vigliotti. “This free compost program rewards both.”

Farmers wishing to participate should call Charles Vigliotti immediately at 516-334-6600. To learn more about Long Island Compost, visit www.licompost.com.



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About Long Island Compost

Long Island Compost is Long Island’s leading provider of organic materials, services and products. Each year, the company recycles hundreds of thousands of tons of leaves, grass clippings and other landscape-related materials generated by Long Islanders. The company also plays a critical role in developing earth-friendly solutions to many of Long Island’s greatest environmental challenges.

Long Island Compost is a past recipient of LIFB’s

“Friend of Agriculture” award. Accepting the award from LIFB Executive Director Joseph Gergela is Long Island Compost President Charles Vigliotti.

Long Island Compost is making free compost available to East End farmers to meet all their planting and growing needs.

Long Island Compost is located at 445 Horseblock Road, Yaphank, NY. For more information visit www.licompost.com or call 516-334-6600.



Joseph Gergela, LIFB Executive Director, with Charles Vigliotti, Long Island Compost.