

**FMC MIDDLEPORT  
COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL  
MEETING SUMMARY  
11-02-05**

**Community Members Presents:** Barb Albone, Lisa Allen, Fr. Badding, Christa Lutz, Larry Lutz, Rob Richards, Rebecca Schweigert, John Shuttleworth, Dick Westcott

**FMC Representatives Present:** Patt Fagan, Bob Wojcik

**Agency Representative present:** Mike Hinton

**Facilitator:** Ann Howard

Ann Howard opened the meeting at 6:10. The agenda for this meeting included a presentation on FMC products.

**FEEDBACK ON AGENCY MEETING**

There was a short discussion on the agencies' meeting held on October 24 with members of the CAP and the Middleport Remediation Advisory Group (MRAG). CAP members commented that there is a high level of frustration in the community regarding the slow progress of remediation activities and the time it is taking to consider remedial action within the remaining affected areas of the village. Residents would at least like to know what possible corrective measures may be considered. Members noted that it is especially frustrating for property owners who have had testing completed, but no indication of whether their property will require remediation or be released from any further environmental encumbrances. This is particularly troublesome for property owners who have been notified that the levels of contamination on their properties are very low.

**FMC PRODUCTS**

John Shuttleworth presented information on the products that are formulated/packaged at the Middleport plant. No manufacturing takes place in Middleport. Activities are limited to mixing and packaging.

John explained the basic general classes of crop protection products and the specific types of formulations these products can include. The Middleport plant handles 18-20 different types of formulations and these products contain a total of nine active ingredients. The products are packaged primarily for commercial application. The budgeted total volume of products for 2005 was 18.2 million pounds.

Products from Middleport are shipped to over 50 countries in North America, Asia, and Latin America.

**FMC UPDATE**

Brian Vain noted that FMC representatives share the residents' frustration regarding the slowness of the remediation process. He noted that FMC would like to resolve these issues as soon as possible.

With regard to remediation activities, Brian noted that the culvert/storm sewer associated with the completed interim corrective action (Phase 1) on the north railroad property may need additional work and this is still under consideration. The agencies are requiring additional sampling in connection with the air deposition testing and the investigation of Culvert 105 and Tributary One south of Pearson Road. This additional sampling is necessary to fill data gaps.

The groundwater sampling in connection with the second phase of the vapor intrusion study was scheduled to be completed by November 3. Although the levels of contamination in the soil were very low, this second phase is required by the DEC as part of the testing protocol. Split samples will be taken, with part of the samples sent to the DEC. In addition, the school district has requested split samples. The results of the bioavailability study are being tabulated and final results should be available in early 2006.

Brian reported that FMC representatives attended a meeting with the Royalton-Hartland School Board and he shared correspondence between Board of Education and FMC. The Board requested information regarding products handled by FMC and other information. Brian Vain responded to this request, citing, among other things, available information and reviewing results from the remediation of school property completed in 1999.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next CAP meeting will be February 1, 2006. The agenda will include an extended update from FMC and planning for 2006 CAP meetings.

***THE NEXT CAP MEETING WILL BE HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2006, 6-8 PM AT THE FMC PLANT.***

***THE ANNUAL CAP HOLIDAY PARTY WILL BE HELD ON  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, AT THE BASKET FACTORY.***