

Community Connection

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Your resource for news related to FMC Middleport Plant and the community.

Responsible Care® Company of the Year

FMC Corporation has received the American Chemistry Council's (ACC) Responsible Care® Company of the Year Award for the second consecutive year, and for the third time since 2017. The annual award is the highest ACC distinction that recognizes excellence and leadership in environmental, health, safety, and sustainability (EHS&S) performance.

In addition, nine U.S.-based FMC sites, including Middleport, were recognized by ACC for significant environmental, health and safety achievements.



HVA Program Extended

FMC voluntarily offers a Home Value Assurance Program that promotes the marketability of eligible Middleport residential homes. It is currently in effect through December 31, 2023.

For more information, call Brittney Russo, Program Manager at (716) 735-9769. You can also view a program fact sheet at www.FMC-Middleport.com.



FMC TAKES OVER REMEDIAL ACTIVITIES IN 2021

FMC has submitted an Off-Site Investigation and Remediation Work Plan for 2021 Activities to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) in accordance with the 2019 Order on Consent guiding local environmental remedial activities.

The Order on Consent requires FMC to take over remediation work beginning in 2021 and the company is now positioned and focused to re-engage with the community and work with it and the Agencies to complete environmental remediation matters as quickly and safely as possible.

The options described within the Work Plan focus on advancing remediation in off-site Operable Units (OU) 2 and 5 as a priority, consistent with the Order, which has the on-site and off-site areas divided into 11 Operable Units (OUs).

Operable Unit (OU) 2 consists of Air Deposition Area 1 in the Village of Middleport, south of the Erie Canal and west of the Niagara/Orleans County Line. Operable Unit (OU) 5 consists of Culvert 105 and Flood Zone, including the Wooded Parcel. Remediation of OU5 north of the Erie Canal is proposed to be completed in

two phases (Phases I and II) during consecutive construction seasons (2021 and 2022).

Per the 2013 Final Statement of Basis (SB) for OUs 2, 4, and 5, the selected remedy for these OUs, referred to as corrective measures alternative 9 (CMA9), is remediation of soil containing arsenic at concentrations greater than 20 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg), with flexibility.

In addition to work in OUs 2 and 5, the Work Plan also contemplates the potential for certain work to be conducted in 2021 in other off-site OUs, subject to appropriate timing for work plan or design submittals with corresponding NYSDEC approval, as may be appropriate.

FMC will be in contact with owners regarding property access permission in the planned remediation and sampling areas designated in 2021. Further information can be obtained through the FMC-Middleport.com website or by contacting Jessica Heideman, FMC Community liaison, at the FMC Community Office at (716) 735-9769 or Jessica.heideman@FMC.com.

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The FMC Middleport plant plays a vital role in ensuring our world has an ample food supply with its final products help to protect over 100 crops in more than 75 countries.



SENENICH NAMED MIDDLEPORT PLANT MANAGER

Brent Sensenich has been named manager of FMC's Middleport plant. The local agricultural sciences plant formulates and packages several key FMC product lines to protect over 100 crops in more than 75 countries worldwide.

Sensenich has been with FMC since 2015, having most recently served as operations manager at the Middleport plant and as FMC's North America Technical Center Manger – Formulations and Packaging.

"Throughout my career I have enjoyed working across different roles in quality, engineering, and operations management,"

"I am excited to continue as part of the FMC Middleport team and Middleport community as we look toward a future of continued safe operation and growth."

A native of the Kansas City area in the Midwest, Sensenich and his wife and two sons have lived in Western New York for more than three years.

"My family and I love living in Western NY, participating in many of the local traditions and we even enjoy all aspects of the winter season," he said.

Sensenich holds a bachelor's degree in

Energy, Environmental and Chemical Engineering from Washington University in St. Louis, MO.



NYSDEC RELEASES DRAFT STATEMENT OF BASIS

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) released its Draft Statement of Basis in September addressing conditions in Suspected Air Deposition Study Area 2 (Air Deposition Area 2), also known as Operable Unit 3 (OU3) in the Middleport Environmental Remediation Program. All work in OU3 is subject to a 2019 Order on Consent entered into with the NYSDEC, which guides the completion of the continued study, evaluation, and remediation, as needed, for all remaining on-site and off-site study areas.

You can view the Draft Statement of Basis, FMC's RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report Volume X for OU3, the draft Corrective

Measures Study (CMS) report for OU3, and NYSDEC's Fact Sheet at FMC-Middleport.com.

Air Deposition Area 2 consists of portions of six properties located north of the Erie Canal and east of the Niagara/Orleans county line, beyond Air Deposition Area 1 (OU2). The properties include agricultural fields, wooded land, portions of the New York State Erie Canal embankments, portions of active railroad property and powerline corridor.

FMC also encourages the community to provide input as part of public participation in the remedy selection process. Written comments can be sent to NYSDEC from September 30, 2020 to November 16, 2020. More information is provided in the NYSDEC Fact Sheet.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS NAMED

Brent Sensenich (right), FMC Middleport Plant manager, presents one of the two \$1,000 scholarship checks awarded to Royalton-Hartland 2020 graduating seniors Madison Ohol of the Town of Royalton (second from left) and Abigail Ander (far left) of Gasport.

The scholarships were awarded based on the winning essay submissions on the theme: "picking an experience from your life and explaining how it has shaped you for the career you have selected."



Both graduates will be pursuing nursing studies in college.

COMMUNITY OFFICE COVID-19 PROTOCOL

FMC is dedicated to the health and safety of our employees and our neighbors.

During the COVID-19 Pandemic we encourage area residents with any questions or concerns to contact our FMC community liaison, Jessica Heideman by either phone at (716) 735-9769 or email at Jessica.heideman@FMC.com.

If a personal visit is deemed necessary, it can be arranged by appointment with Jessica. Individuals must be symptom free for at least 14 days and temperatures will be checked at the door. In addition, all people, both visitor and FMC employee, will be required to wear a mask and observe social distancing.



Online Access for Remediation Info

Area residents now have easier access to information about local remediation activities through the newly re-organized Remediation Tab located on the FMC-Middleport.com website.

The tab features latest and archived update, status of each operable unit within the environmental remediation program, health studies, and public participation opportunities.

The website also has a reformulated Document Repository Tab which provides access to recent important remediation-related documents, previous studies and past remedial construction projects, and document archives.

FMC HOSTS SAFETY MOMENT DAY

The FMC Middleport Plant hosted a special Safety Moment Day in September for employees with area first responders that focused on efforts to reduce causes of unintentional injury and death in the workplace, on the road, and in homes and communities.

Participants included the Middleport Fire Department, the Middleport Police Department, DiVal Safety Equipment and the Niagara County Sheriff's Department, which conducted an interactive simulation for employees of drug and alcohol impaired physical exercises.

"As a company dedicated to our local community, FMC is committed to ongoing safety training that will help keep our employees safe on the job and at home," said Brent Sensenich, FMC Middleport plant manager.



l-r) Archie Ames, FMC plant incident commander; Dave Greenwall, Middleport Fire Chief Ryan Czaja and Capt. Regan Ginty, Brent Sensenich, FMC plant manager; and Lt. Julie Kratz of Niagara County Sheriff's Department.

"That commitment has enabled our plant to go more than 18 months as an accident and injury-free workplace without an OSHA recordable incident."

Among the topics covered were home safety and electrical safety, FMC's key safety procedures, fork truck safety, office safety, work-related stress, hazard recognition and heat stress.

Also, in late September, FMC conducted CPR and First Aid Training for the plant's Emergency Response Team.

SAFETY MATTERS

Fall is a great time of year to ensure that fire and CO alarms are powered and working properly. Fire deaths are much more common in homes without working alarms. CO is odorless and invisible, so an alarm is essential.

Have a Question?

We want to hear from you! Contact us with your questions, concerns or thoughts. Topics may include a wide variety of issues such as:

- Environmental Projects
- Health and Safety
- The Future of FMC
- Presentation Requests
- Regulatory Agencies
- Plant Operations
- Business Outlook



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SUPPORTING COMMUNITY COVID-19 FIGHT

FMC Middleport employees have been actively involved in helping our local communities deal with the health and economic impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

FMC Middleport supported the medical community and local first responders in the fight by donating much needed items such as respirators, safety glasses and Tyvek protective clothing suits. This effort included six cases of N95 respirators to the Shelby Fire Department for distribution to local hospitals, 12 cases of safety glasses to the Niagara County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) and Tyvek protective clothing suits to the Middleport Fire Department.

FMC Middleport collected and donated

nearly 750 pounds of food to the Middleport Area Food Pantry to help community residents coping with uncertain health and monetary needs brought about by COVID-19.



Participating in the effort were FMC employees, including those represented by local 1180 of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, and FMC plant management.

Another area of community support was with a special Farm-to-Table Program that featured an opportunity to sell their local food products to FMC employees.

This program was an excellent way to show its support for local farmers while also helping develop some new customer relationships.