



PUBLIC NOTICE

Introduction:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), hereinafter referred to as the "Agencies", would like to provide you with a summary of environmental information collected to date and contained in a document entitled *RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report Volume III – Former Research and Development Property (Operable Unit 9; Former R&D Property)*. The Former R&D Property is a 10.5 acre area located southwest of the FMC Facility in Middleport, New York, and comprises three parcels that are zoned for light industrial land uses (see attached figure). In 1985, FMC sold this property and since 1986, it has been used for various commercial purposes. This Report documents the results of environmental investigations (soil sampling and analysis) that have been conducted on this property since 1973.

In addition to the aforementioned FMC Report, the Niagara County Department of Economic Development retained a consultant to perform a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) at the property. A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment was performed in 2007. The Phase II ESA was conducted in order to identify the level of environmental contamination (if any), and to determine feasible redevelopment options and corresponding site remediation costs. While the aforementioned FMC investigation was solely for soils at the site, the Niagara County ESA sampled soils and groundwater. Additionally, a container and material inventory was conducted along with an asbestos and lead-based paint survey of onsite structures.

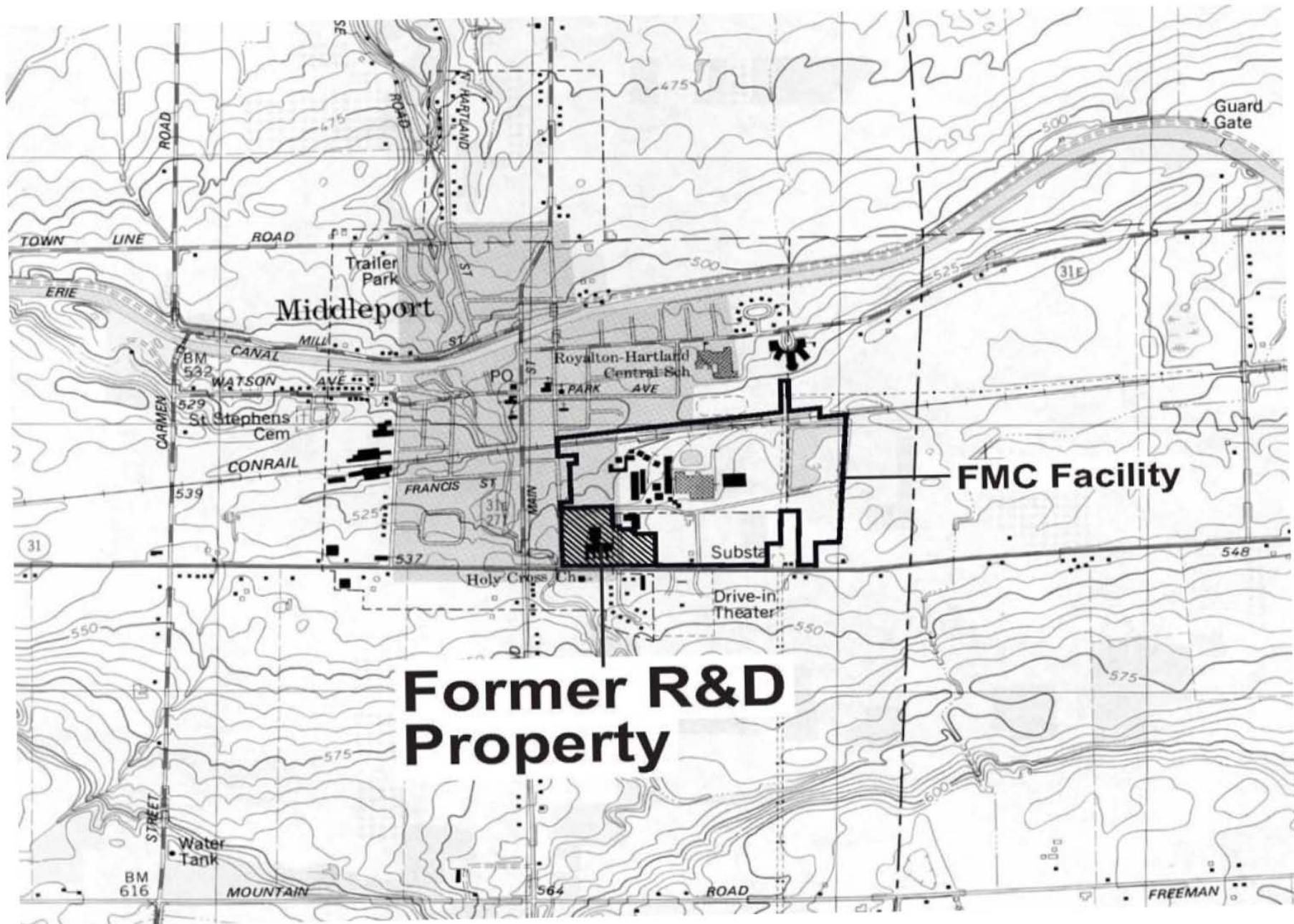
Written Comment Period: The Agencies will be accepting written comments from the public on the *RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report Volume III – Former Research and Development Property (OU-9)*. The Agencies were not involved with the planning, sampling and preparation of the Niagara County ESA. The 30 day comment period will begin on **March 3, 2014 and run through April 2, 2014**. Written comments should be submitted to:

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Document Availability:

A copy of FMC's RFI Report is available for public review through the NYSDEC web site at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/54220.html>. Both FMC's RFI document and the Niagara County ESA can be accessed directly through the Middleport Community Involvement Group's (MCIG's) web site at www.middleport-future.com/rfi. Also, hard copies of these documents, and other FMC environmental documents, are available for public review at the FMC Document Repository located at:

Middleport Village Library
9 Vernon Street
Middleport, New York



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