For the past several years, FMC and state and federal regulatory agencies have been involved in investigation and remediation activities associated with the FMC Middleport plant. As required by federal regulations, numerous public meetings have been held to keep the community informed of the progress and of the work that took place as part of this program.

At the meetings prior to the remediation of the homes on Vernon Street, Main Street and FMC's property near the railroad tracks, the Village residents in attendance made it very clear that they would have wanted more meaningful participation at an earlier stage of the ongoing environmental process.

Following the guidelines recommended by the EPA, Village residents formed the Middleport Remediation Advisory Group (MRAG) approximately three years ago as a direct result of a meeting with the Agencies and the Mayor where it was expressed that such a committee be formed as a liaison between the community and the agencies.

The overall sentiment of those meetings set the stage for what has evolved as the **Middleport Community Input Group**. This group is made up of individuals from the FMC CAP Committee, an ongoing community group that meets regularly with FMC and the Agencies, the MRAG (Middleport Remediation Advisory Group), Village residents and Village officials.

Since the formation of the **Middleport Community Input Group**, members of MRAG, CAP, Village representatives, residents and local elected officials have been meeting with FMC and the Agencies to share ideas about Middleport's "path forward" and attempt to direct remediation projects to a conclusion beneficial to the community. Future meetings will include discussions about the study areas to be addressed and various accepted remedial options will be discussed. Input from the community and property owners will be built into the work plans. The public will have an opportunity to review and comment further on these work plans before they are approved and implemented by the Agencies.

The **Middleport Community Input Group** will continue to meet on a regular basis to provide the needed information and guidance from the community to FMC and the Agencies as they prepare formal work plans for future projects. Interested residents of Middleport are encouraged to attend.

The group has a website at www.middleport-future.com where meeting notes and information about the group can be found.

If you have questions or concerns that you would like to be brought to the **Middleport Community Input Group**, please drop off the enclosed form at Village Hall or contact Bill Arnold, CIG chair, at 735-3920. The CIG's E-Mail address is <u>feedback@middleport-future.com</u> and their mailing address is PO Box 33, Middleport, NY 14105.

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