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EPA ID No. NYD002126845

Administrative Order on Consent - Docket No. II-RCRA-90-3008(h)-0209

Draft RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report Former Research and Development Property (OU9)

The United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2 (USEPA) and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) (jointly "the Agencies") have received FMC Corporation's ("FMC's") draft RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report dated September 17, 2013 for the Former Research and Development Property (OU9). The draft Report was submitted pursuant to the requirements of the above referenced Administrative Order on Consent ("AOC"), following the Agencies May 2013 approval of the work plan for this RFI. According to the draft RFI Report, the investigatory fieldwork was completed in July 2013.

As you know, the Niagara County Department of Economic Development ("Niagara County") has recently sampled for a wide range of constituents on this former FMC property (OU9). It is our understanding that Niagara County is in the process of drafting a report summarizing its sampling results. While the Agencies presently believe that FMC has performed sufficient sampling to perform a corrective measures study at OU9, to the extent the Niagara County sampling report identifies additional arsenic and pesticide contamination potentially attributable to FMC, the Agencies may require FMC to amend its draft OU9 RFI Report. The Agencies also reserve the right to require additional sampling in this area if deemed necessary.

In light of the above, EPA is conditionally approving FMC's draft RFI Report for OU9 subject to: i) the Agencies receipt and review of the Niagara County sampling report; and ii) public notice and comment. The Agencies will notify FMC in writing if they believe the Niagara County report requires FMC to either amend its report or conduct additional sampling. If no amendment or additional sampling is necessary, the draft RFI report will be public noticed

¹ The Agencies did not review or approve Niagara County's sampling program.

pursuant to Section XVIII of the AOC. Upon final approval of the RFI Report, FMC shall initiate a Corrective Measures Study for OU9 pursuant to Section VI.2 of the AOC.

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Former Research and Development Property (Operable Unit 9)
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Docket No. II-RCRA-90-3008(h)-209
FMC Corporation, Middleport, NY Facility
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Dear Ms. Dewes and Mr. Infurna:

FMC Corporation (FMC) is submitting the draft RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report Volume III – Former Research and Development Property (Operable Unit 9) (RFI Report Volume III) to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) (jointly, "the Agencies") in accordance with the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) between the parties and the Agencies'-approved RFI Work Plan for Operable Unit OU-9 (i.e., Former R&D Property) of FMC's Facility in Middleport, New York.

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RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report Volume III –

Former Research and Development Property (Operable Unit 9)

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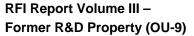


RFI Report Volume III – Former R&D Property (OU-9)

FMC Corporation - Middleport, NY

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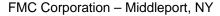
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Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Units of Measure

2,4-D
2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid
2,4,5-T
2,4,5-trichlorophenoxyacetic acid
2,4,5-TP
2,4,5-trichlorophenoxypropionic acid

Agencies NYSDEC and USEPA

AOC Administrative Order on Consent

CMS Corrective Measures Study

CRA Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, Inc.

DoD Department of Defense

FMC FMC Corporation

ID Identification

mg/kg milligrams per kilogram

NYCRR New York Codes, Rules and Regulations

NYSDEC New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

NYSDOH New York State Department of Health

OU Operable Unit

PID photoionization detector

QA/QC quality assurance / quality control

R&D Research and Development

RCRA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

RFA RCRA Facility Assessment
RFI RCRA Facility Investigation
SCOs Soil Cleanup Objectives
SSLs Soil Screening Levels

SWMU Solid Waste Management Unit

UCL upper confidence level

USEPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

VOCs Volatile Organic Compounds



1. Introduction

FMC Corporation (FMC) owns and operates an agricultural products facility located in the Village of Middleport and the Town of Royalton, New York (herein the "Facility" or "Site"; see Figure 1). FMC has been implementing a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Facility Investigation (RFI) at the Facility and off-Site areas to delineate and evaluate the presence of Site-related constituents in soil and other environmental media at the Facility and off-Site areas as a result of historical releases at or from the Facility to the environment. RFI Report Volume III addresses the area designated as Operable Unit 9 (OU-9) of FMC's Middleport, New York RCRA Facility. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) (together the "Agencies") identify OU-9 as comprising soil at the Former Research and Development Property (Former R&D Property; Figure 1). The Former R&D Property includes three parcels zoned for industrial use and formerly owned by FMC (sold by FMC in 1985). The RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Work Plan – Former Research & Development Property (Operable Unit 9) (RFI Work Plan), submitted to the Agencies in April 2013, proposed investigation activities to supplement existing data from prior investigation programs at the Former R&D Property dating back to 1973. The RFI Work Plan was approved by the Agencies by letter dated May 1, 2013, and investigation activities were completed in the summer 2013.

The Former R&D Property RFI is one of several related investigative, monitoring and/or remedial programs being implemented by FMC to satisfy the terms and conditions of the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) (Docket No. II RCRA-90-3008(h)-0209) entered into by FMC and the Agencies, effective July 2, 1991. The investigation summary in RFI Report Volume III has been prepared in accordance with the AOC terms and conditions and RCRA requirements.

1.1 Overview

The Facility and off-site areas are being addressed in a phased approach in which geographic areas and/or environmental media have been organized into study areas, which have been designated as Operable Units (OUs) by the Agencies. In 2005, FMC and the Agencies agreed that a multi-volume RFI Report would be prepared to present and summarize RFI sampling data and results by study area. The RFI Report is organized into the following 11 volumes:

1.	Volume I	Background and Related Information
2.	Volume II	Suspected Air Deposition Study Area 1 (South of the Erie Canal and West of the Niagara/Orleans County Line) and Culvert 105 Study Area South of the Erie Canal (soil; OU-2 & OU-4)
3.	Volume III	Former FMC Research and Development (R&D) Property (soil; OU-9)
4.	Volume IV	Culvert 105 and Flood Zone (soil; OU-5)
5.	Volume V	Tributary One and Flood Plain South of Pearson/Stone Roads (soil & sediment; OU-6)
6.	Volume VI	Tributary One and Flood Plain East of Stone Road to Confluence with Jeddo Creek (soil & sediment; OU-7)
7.	Volume VII	Jeddo Creek, Johnson Creek, and Associated Flood Plains (soil & sediment; OU-8)







8. Volume VIII Groundwater Investigations and Remediation Results (on-site & off-site groundwater;

OU-10)

9. Volume IX On-Site Soil, Surface Water, and Sediments (OU-1 & OU-11)

10. Volume X Suspected Air Deposition Study Area 2 (North of the Erie Canal and East of the

Niagara/Orleans County Line) (soil; OU-3)

11. Volume ES Comprehensive Executive Summary for all volumes

To date, four of eleven RFI Report volumes are considered to be final and approved by the Agencies; RFI Report Volumes I, II and IV were issued as final in September 2009 and RFI Report Volume V was issued as final in June 2010. A detailed description of past operations and releases at the Facility, including activities related to the Former R&D Property, is provided in the Agencies'-approved RFI Report Volume I.

1.2 RFI Objectives

The RFI objectives for the Former R&D Property are to:

- Characterize the nature and extent of FMC-related constituents that may be present in soil as a result of historical releases from solid waste management units (SWMUs), regulated units, or other potential sources;
- Define the horizontal and vertical extent of areas proposed to be evaluated in a Corrective Measures Study (CMS), if determined to be necessary by the Agencies; and
- 3. Provide sufficient data to perform a CMS, if one is determined to be necessary by the Agencies, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the AOC.

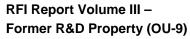
To achieve these objectives, FMC is relying on data generated from 1973 through 2013. The sampling and analysis of soil at the Former R&D Property is primarily for arsenic, with additional field monitoring and laboratory testing for other constituents, as appropriate. FMC and the Agencies previously agreed that a soil arsenic "delineation" criterion of 20 milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg) is not necessarily a "remediation" criterion or standard, and that delineation of soil containing arsenic above 20 mg/kg does not mean that soil will be required to be remediated in the future.

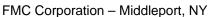
1.3 Document Organization

The remainder of this document is organized as follows:

<u>Section 2 – Property Description</u>: Provides background information for the Former R&D Property, including current and former land use.

<u>Section 3 – Soil Sampling and Analysis</u>: Provides a summary of the soil sampling conducted at the Former R&D Property and the laboratory analysis of those samples.







Section 4 - Presentation of Data Set: Provides an assessment of the usability of the soil analytical data.

<u>Section 5 – Soil Screening Values</u>: Discusses the values used to screen the soil analytical data.

<u>Section 6 – Analytical Data Evaluation</u>: Provides an evaluation of the soil analytical data, including a comparison to soil screening values and soil arsenic background concentrations, and the horizontal and vertical distribution of arsenic in soil.

<u>Section 7 – RFI Findings</u>: Summarizes the findings of the investigations and data evaluations described in this RFI Report Volume III.

Tables, figures, and appendices provide supporting information and are referenced throughout the report text.

2. Property Description

2.1 Current

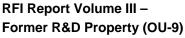
The Former R&D Property is a 10.5-acre area located southwest of the Facility (Figure 2) and comprises three contiguous parcels that are zoned for light industrial land uses. The western and middle parcels (Tax Parcel IDs 86.17-1-98.1 and 86.00-3-12.121) are unoccupied and collectively are improved with two interconnected one-story buildings (constructed in 1964), two sheds, paved parking/driveway areas, and lawn areas. The eastern parcel (Tax Parcel ID 86.00-3-12.122) is occupied by a contractor and is improved with a one-story garage (constructed in 2005), a shed, driveway, and lawn areas. The Former R&D Property is abutted to the north and east by the Facility, to the west by residential properties, and to the south by Route 31, with residential and commercial properties beyond.

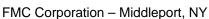
Soil at the Former R&D Property is silty sand and clay, with bedrock encountered approximately 4 to 8 feet below surface grade.

2.2 Historical

As indicated by aerial photographs dated 1931 and 1938, orchards occupied the Former R&D Property (Figure 3). At that time the land was owned by FMC's predecessor, Niagara Sprayer. In the 1950s, the orchard was no longer present (as indicated by an aerial photograph dated 1951; no aerial photographs are available from 1939 to 1950) and the Former R&D Property was not improved upon (i.e., no structures present).

In 1964, FMC constructed two buildings (Buildings 100 and 102), having laboratories and offices, and four attached greenhouses on the southwestern portion of [what was then] the FMC-owned property







(i.e., the area now known as the Former R&D Property) for laboratory and greenhouse testing activities.¹ A fifth greenhouse within the property was added in 1976.

In 1983, the R&D operations at the Facility were moved to FMC's R&D Center in Princeton, New Jersey. From 1983 to 1985, FMC decommissioned the laboratory and greenhouse facilities. Decommissioning activities included separation of property drainage and utilities (i.e., sanitary sewer, water, natural gas and electric) from the Facility utilities, decontamination of the greenhouses and laboratory areas, wastes disposal, and removal of the greenhouses. In 1985, FMC sold the 10.5-acre Former R&D Property.

There were two areas within the Former R&D Property used for waste handling by FMC that were subsequently designated as SWMUs by the NYSDEC in the *RCRA Facility Assessment (RFA) Preliminary Review* (1988). Specifically, waste solvents generated from research activities were containerized and stored in an outdoor drum storage area, located next to a shed, east of Building 100. This area was subsequently designated as SWMU #27. Waste pesticide-containing soil from research activities was containerized and stored in an indoor drum storage area within Building 100. This area was subsequently designated as SWMU #37. As indicated in RFI Report Volume I, SWMUs #27 and #37 were closed, decontaminated, and verified clean in 1982 in accordance with a closure plan; closure of both units was approved by the NYSDEC.

The Former R&D Property was occupied by a commercial analytical laboratory from 1986 to 1995 and since 1996 has been used for various commercial purposes.

3. Soil Sampling and Analysis

Four investigation programs have been performed at the Former R&D Property to evaluate soil for potential releases from historical FMC operations. Soil in the former waste solvent storage area (SWMU #27) has been tested for volatile organic compounds (VOCs), soil in the former locations of the greenhouses has been tested for herbicides, and soil across the entire property has been tested for the primary Site soil contaminant, arsenic.

A description of the soil sampling and analysis activities conducted at the Former R&D Property during the four investigation programs is provided in Sections 3.1 to 3.4, respectively. Sample locations are shown on Figure 4 and a summary of analyses conducted is provided in Table 1. The analytical data from these investigation programs are tabulated in Appendix A of this RFI Report Volume III.

Facility. For additional information, refer to FMC's Report on Investigative Work (2008).

¹ One research project conducted from1965 to 1967 was for the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) and involved herbicide formulations, including esters of 2,4-D (dichlorophenoxyacetic acid) and 2,4,5-T (trichlorophenoxyacetic acid). Experiments were conducted, using "pipette" or "test tube" quantities, in a laboratory and a greenhouse at the





3.1 1973 Facility Soil Arsenic Investigation

In 1973, 316 soil borings were advanced on an approximate 100-foot grid across the entire Facility (which included the Former R&D Property at that time), with soil samples collected from surface grade to refusal on bedrock and analyzed for arsenic (total 2,228 samples). The portion of the investigation at the Former R&D Property included 29 soil borings, with 169 soil samples analyzed for arsenic. The soil analytical data were previously provided to the Agencies in the draft *RCRA Facility Investigation Report* (Draft RFI Report) (1999).

3.2 1993-1997 Facility RFI

From 1993 to 1997, soil sampling and analysis were conducted at the Facility's SWMU locations to investigate for constituents potentially associated with the SWMU locations, and at various on-Site and off-Site locations to investigate the extent of arsenic in soil. As part of this investigation, a soil boring was advanced at the former R&D outdoor solvent storage area (SWMU #27), with analysis for VOCs. Soil samples (0- to 3-inch depth interval) were collected at two locations along the Route 31 right-of-way south of the Former R&D Property and were analyzed for arsenic. In addition, a soil sample was collected, as a split sample by FMC and the NYSDEC, at one location (D-3) previously sampled in 1973 to evaluate an anomalous result at one depth interval. The soil analytical data were provided in the 1999 Draft RFI Report.

3.3 2002 RFI Sampling Program

Supplemental RFI soil sampling and analysis were conducted at on-site and off-site locations in 2002 to evaluate the extent of arsenic in soil. As part of this investigation, soil samples (0 to 3-inch depth interval) were collected at nine locations along the western boundary of the Former R&D Property and analyzed for arsenic. The soil analytical data were provided in the *Draft 2002 Sampling Program Report* (2003).

3.4 2013 RFI Sampling Program

In July 2013, soil sampling and analysis were conducted in the former locations of the five greenhouses (one sample location within the footprint of each former greenhouse) to evaluate soil for herbicides and to extend the previously existing 100-foot soil arsenic sampling grid. Soil samples were collected at each location continuously from surface grade to refusal on bedrock. All soil samples were screened in the field for VOCs using a photoionization detector (PID), and no detectable concentrations were identified in any of the samples. All of the soil samples were analyzed for arsenic (47 samples), and all of the samples collected from the 0- to 6-inch, 6- to 12-inch, 12- to 18-inch and 18- to 24-inch depth intervals (20 samples) were analyzed for the herbicides 2,4-D, 2,4,5-T, and 2,4,5-TP (Silvex). The sampling and analysis activities, including data validation, are discussed in Appendix B of this RFI Report Volume III.



4. Presentation of Data Set

4.1 Data Usability

As discussed in Appendix B, the analytical data for field samples and associated quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) samples collected by FMC during the 2013 sampling program were validated by ARCADIS and determined to be acceptable for use in the RFI to evaluate the extent in soil and to compare to soil screening values. Likewise, as documented in the reports identified in Section 3.2 and 3.3, respectively, samples collected by FMC during the 1993-1997 and 2002 sampling programs were validated by Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, Inc. (CRA) and determined to acceptable for use. As discussed in the 1999 Draft RFI Report, the 1973 soil arsenic data (for the Former R&D Property and the Facility) were not validated, but the results are consistent with those for other subsequent investigations. Therefore, the data are accepted for use in the RFI, with one exception. At location D-3, the result obtained for the 0- to 6-inch depth interval in 1997 is used in place of the anomalous result obtained for the 6-inch sampling depth in 1973.

Altogether the usable analytical data set includes 227 samples from 45 locations for arsenic, one sample from one location for VOCs, and 20 samples from five locations for herbicides.

4.2 Combined Results

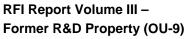
Consistent with the approach used in all other RFI Report volumes, results for sample locations/intervals with duplicate and/or split samples (collected for QA/QC purposes) are averaged with the primary field sample result to produce a single "combined" result for that sampling location/depth interval. The approach used in the RFI Report to present the data and produce the combined result is as follows:

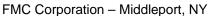
- 1. If only a single analytical result exists for a sampling location/depth interval, that value is used as the combined result.
- If two or more analytical results (e.g., sample duplicates, splits) are available for a sampling location/depth interval, the arithmetic average of all results for that sample is used as the combined result.
- 3. If an analytical result is reported as not detected (ND), then a value of one-half the reported laboratory detection limit is used as the combined result.

5. Soil Screening Values

For purposes of the RFI, the soil combined results are compared to soil screening values. A description of the soil screening values applicable to the Former R&D Property is provided below.

Derivation of health risk based Soil Screening Levels (SSLs) for Site-related constituents, using standardized equations and assumptions from USEPA guidance and constituent toxicity data is documented in the 1999 Draft RFI Report. The SSLs applicable to Site-related constituents were used







in comparison to Site data to develop RFI soil sampling programs. The industrial land use SSLs (applicable to the Former R&D Property) are provided in Table 2.

In 2006, the NYSDEC promulgated regulations (6 NYCRR Subpart 375) which included constituent-specific Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs), with each constituent have various SCOs based on property type/usage. The SCOs were developed from ecological and human health-based criteria, and in some cases, from a state-wide background database. The SCOs applicable to industrial land use and the SCOs protective of leaching to groundwater are provided in Table 2.

Consistent with the RFI Report volumes for other study areas, the SCOs for arsenic (16 mg/kg for both categories identified above) have been replaced in Table 2 with the Middleport RFI soil arsenic delineation criterion of 20 mg/kg. Arsenic is a naturally occurring element in soil, and is also present in soil as a result of various man-made products and activities (also referred to as "anthropogenic sources"). FMC and the Agencies conducted an evaluation to estimate the amount of arsenic that may be present in Middleport soil from natural geologic conditions and non-Site-related anthropogenic sources ("2003 Gasport Background Study"). Soil samples were collected from locations of varying property types/usages in the nearby Village of Gasport, and the resulting data were used to identify a Middleport RFI soil arsenic delineation criterion. A description of this evaluation is provided in Appendix C of this RFI Report Volume III.

6. Analytical Data Evaluation

This section presents soil combined results for the Former R&D Property, a comparison to soil screening values, and a discussion of the vertical and horizontal distribution of arsenic.

6.1 Non-Arsenic Constituents Statistics and Screening

Table 2 provides a summary of the frequency of detection, maximum concentration, and comparison to soil screening values for non-arsenic constituents.

Non-arsenic constituent results for soil samples collected at the Former R&D Property are all below their respective SSL or SCO values. Herbicides were not detected in any of 20 samples, and the sample detection limits (approximately 0.05 mg/kg or less) are below the screening values. VOCs were either not detected (ten constituents) or detected at trace concentrations (three constituents) in the SWMU #27 sample, with all reported concentrations or detection limits below the screening values.

6.2 Arsenic Statistics and Screening

As indicated in Table 2, arsenic was detected in 189 of the 227 samples, with the results for 46 samples (at 26 locations) exceeding the delineation criterion of 20 mg/kg. Sample locations with a soil arsenic concentration greater than 20 mg/kg observed at any depth interval are colored pink on Figure 5 (26 locations), while locations where all soil arsenic concentrations are less than or equal to 20 mg/kg are not shaded (19 locations).



Table 3 also presents the arithmetic mean and 95% upper confidence level (UCL) on the mean for the soil arsenic data. The statistics for the soil arsenic concentrations observed at the Former R&D Property are provided below along with those for orchard land and for commercial/industrial land from the 2003 Gasport Background Study (as discussed in Appendix C).

	Arsenic Concentration Range (mg/kg)	Arithmetic Mean (mg/kg)	95% UCL on the Mean (mg/kg)
Former R&D Property	<0.5 to 71.0	11.6	16.0
Orchard Land	3.1 to 121.3	33.3	63.5
Commercial/Industrial Land	2.2 to 32.8	11.7	18.4

6.3 Horizontal and Vertical Extent of Soil Arsenic

As a basis for evaluating arsenic concentration with depth, the maximum soil arsenic concentration observed for samples within three different depth intervals (0 to 12 inches, 12 to 24 inches, and deeper than 24 inches) are color-coded (based on concentration) on Figures 6 through 8, respectively.

Table 3 provides statistics of the soil arsenic data set organized by area (each of the three parcels) and by depth (the three depth intervals identified on Figures 6 through 8). For each parcel or depth interval, the soil arsenic statistics include the number of samples analyzed, number and frequency of samples with arsenic detected, number and frequency of samples with an arsenic concentration greater than 20 mg/kg, maximum concentration, arithmetic mean, and 95% UCL of the soil arsenic data.

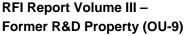
Based on Figures 6 through 8 and the statistics in Table 3, the soil arsenic concentrations and associated statistics are similar for each of the three parcels. While the horizontal distribution varies from sample location to sample location, overall the frequency of samples with concentrations greater than 20 mg/kg and the arithmetic mean and 95% UCL do not vary by parcel within the Former R&D Property. With respect to the vertical distribution, the frequency of samples with concentrations greater than 20 mg/kg and the arithmetic mean and 95% UCL of the soil data are lowest (among the three depth intervals identified above) for samples collected deeper than 24 inches.

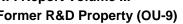


7. RFI Findings

A review of the soil results from the Former R&D Property yields the following findings:

- Site-related constituents in soil at the Former R&D Property have been adequately evaluated for
 constituents that may have been released as a result of historical FMC operations at the Former
 R&D Property or nearby at the Facility, including VOCs in the former waste solvent storage area,
 herbicides in the former location of the greenhouses, and arsenic throughout the property.
- Arsenic data define the horizontal and vertical limits of potential FMC-related impacts to soil at the Former R&D Property. Non-arsenic constituent concentrations were all below applicable soil screening values.
- 3. Soil arsenic at the Former R&D Property has been adequately delineated relative to the Middleport RFI soil arsenic delineation criterion of 20 mg/kg and the property boundaries. The data set includes 227 soil arsenic results for samples collected from 45 locations arranged on a grid across the property, with 34 of the locations advanced to refusal on bedrock.
- 4. In consideration of the historical use of the Former R&D Property as an orchard and for industrial and commercial uses, soil arsenic concentrations observed at the Former R&D Property are within the range of concentrations observed for similar land usages in the 2003 Gasport Background Study.
- Soil arsenic concentrations at the Former R&D Property above 20 mg/kg generally correspond with the former orchard location. Soil arsenic concentrations generally decrease with depth below surface grade.
- 6. The RFI information and analytical data are sufficient to support the performance of a CMS, if one is determined to be needed.







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TABLE 1
SOIL INVESTIGATION INVENTORY
FORMER R&D PROPERTY (OU-9)

RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION REPORT VOLUME III FMC CORPORATION – MIDDLEPORT, NEW YORK

Report	Sampling	Investigation Decrease ¹	No. of Sample	No. of Samples Analyzed ³			
Section	Dates	Investigation Program ¹	Locations ²	Arsenic	VOCs	Herbicides	
3.1	1973	Facility Soil Arsenic Investigation	29	168 ⁴	0	0	
3.2	1993-1997	Facility RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI)	3 (+1 re-sample) 4	3	1	0	
3.3	2002	RFI Sampling Program	9	9	0	0	
3.4	2013	RFI Sampling Program	5	47	0 ⁵	20	
		Totals	46	227	1	20	

Notes:

- 1. Table only includes sampling and analysis for portion of investigation program conducted at the Former R&D Property.
- 2. Sample locations are shown on Figure 3.
- 3. Analytical data are summarized in Appendix A.
- 4. One sample from the 1973 investigation was re-sampled by NYSDEC and FMC (split sample) in 1997, and the 1973 result is not included.
- 5. All 47 soil samples collected in 2013 were screened in the field for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) using a portable photoionization detector (PID), and no detectable concentrations of VOCs were identified.

TABLE 2 SOIL ANALYTICAL DATA SUMMARY FORMER R&D PROPERTY (OU-9)

RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION REPORT VOLUME III FMC CORPORATION - MIDDLEPORT, NEW YORK

Analyte	Frequency Detected	Maximum Concentration (mg/kg)	Samples Exceeding SCO ² or SSL ³	Industrial SCO (mg/kg)	Protection of Groundwater SCO (mg/kg)	Industrial SSL (mg/kg)
Metals			_	_		
Arsenic	189 / 227	71.0	46	20 ⁴	20 ⁴	38.2
Volatile Organic Compounds						
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	0/1	ND	0	1,000	0.68	4,550
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	0/1	ND	0	NV	NV	32.9
1,1-Dichloroethene	0/1	ND	0	1,000	0.33	2.08
1,2-Dichloroethane	0 / 1	ND	0	60	0.02	10.6
Acetone	1/1	0.007	0	1,000	0.05	11,700
Benzene	0 / 1	ND	0	89	0.06	26.4
Chlorobenzene	0 / 1	ND	0	1,000	1.1	393
Chloroform	0/1	ND	0	700	0.37	8.95
Ethylbenzene	0 / 1	ND	0	780	1.0	1,810
Methylene chloride	1 / 1	0.002	0	1,000	0.05	343
Toluene	0/1	ND	0	1,000	0.7	2,830
Trichloroethene	1/1	0.001	0	400	0.47	164
Xylenes (total)	0 / 1	ND	0	1,000	1.6	410
Herbicides						
2,4,5-T	0 / 20	ND	0	NV	NV	20,400
2,4,5-TP	0 / 20	ND	0	1,000	3.8	16,400
2,4-D	0 / 20	ND	0	NV	NV	20,400

Notes:

- 1. Concentrations, SCOs, and SSLs in milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg), equivalent to parts-per-million (ppm).
- 2. SCO = NYSDEC Remedial Program Soil Cleanup Objective listed in Table 375-6.8(b) of 6 NYCRR Subpart 375-6.
- 3. SSL = Soil Screening Level listed in Table 7.2 of the 1999 Draft RFI Report, dervied from USEPA Soil Screening Guidance.
- 4. SCO of 16 mg/kg replaced with Middleport RFI soil arsenic delineation criterion of 20 mg/kg.
- 5. NV = no value available.
- 6. ND = not detected at laboratory reporting limit; all reporting limits (Appendix A) are below the applicable soil screening values.

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TABLE 3
SOIL ARSENIC STATISTICS BY AREA AND DEPTH
FORMER R&D PROPERTY (OU-9)

RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION REPORT VOLUME III FMC CORPORATION - MIDDLEPORT, NEW YORK

	Total	Detections		>20 mg/kg		Arsenic Concentration (mg/kg)				
	Number of Samples	Samples	Frequency	Samples	Frequency	Maximum	Average	95% UCL	Distribution	95% UCL Method
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Former R&D Property (all three parcels)	227	189	83%	46	20%	71.0	11.6	16.0	Nonparametric	95% KM Chebyshev
Area										
Parcel 86.17-1-98.1	123	107	87%	24	20%	71.0	10.8	16.5	Nonparametric	95% KM Chebyshev
Parcel 86.00-3-12.121	52	36	69%	9	17%	61.0	12.1	22.7	Nonparametric	95% KM Chebyshev
Parcel 86.00-3-12.122	52	46	88%	13	25%	59.0	13.0	22.0	Nonparametric	95% KM Chebyshev
Depth Interval										
0- to 12-inches	50	48	96%	23	46%	59.0	20.5	31.0	Nonparametric	95% KM Chebyshev
12- to 24-inches	38	33	87%	12	32%	71.0	17.6	31.8	Nonparametric	95% KM Chebyshev
Deeper than 24 inches	139	108	78%	11	8%	61.0	6.8	8.4	Nonparametric	95% KM Bias-corrected

Notes:

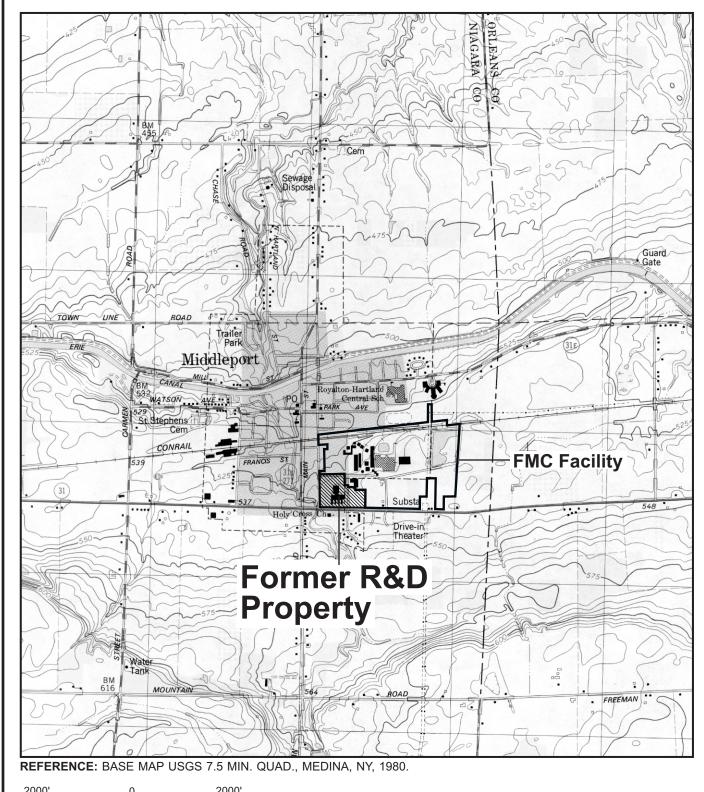
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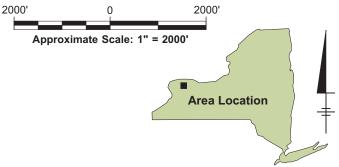
^{2.} KM = Kaplan Meier



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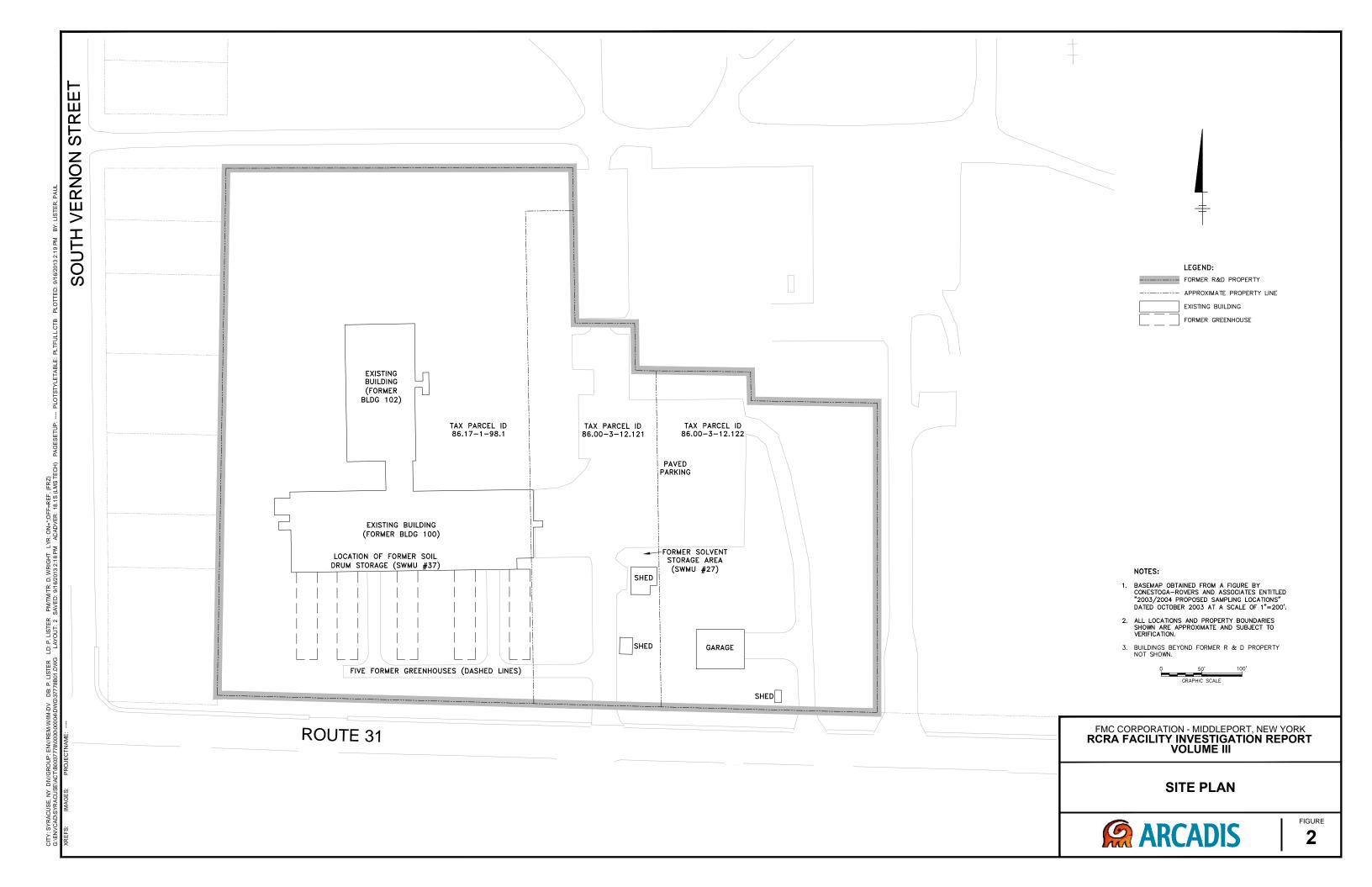


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LOCATION MAP



FIGURE 1





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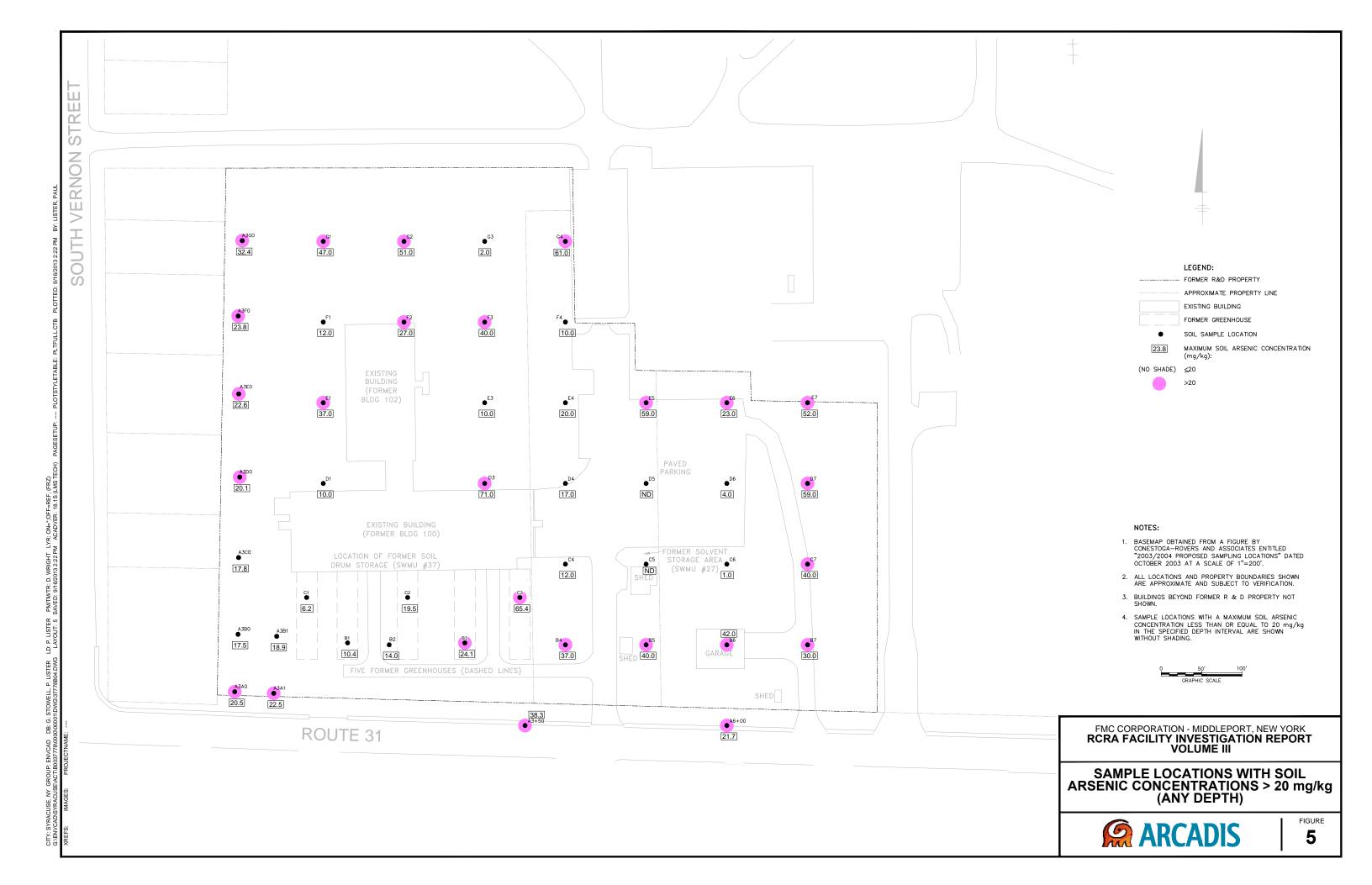
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Appendices

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Appendix A

Soil Analytical Data (appears on CD only)

- A-1: Soil Analytical Results Arsenic
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- A-3: Soil Analytical Results Herbicides



Appendix B

2013 RFI Sampling Program Summary (appears on CD only)



Appendix C

Middleport Soil Arsenic Background Concentrations (appears on CD only)