



Left: Crews arrived on the former FMC East Plant site in the last week of July 1998 for the final phase of surface and subsurface soil investigation.

Below: Drilling through fill materials using air rotary drilling techniques.



### East Plant Soil Sampling Complete

A significant portion of the investigation phase of the former FMC East Plant has been completed with the collection of additional soil and groundwater samples concluding October 23. The results are expected to be ready for submittal to the West Virginia Division of Environmental Protection during the second quarter of 1999.

These samples will help characterize soil contaminant distribution, generate data for human health and ecological risks and will assist the Public Advisory Group and the FMC Project Team in evaluating clean up technologies.

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Frishkorn of Baker Environmental who is also serving as the Licensed Remediation Specialist for the site.

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- East Plant Site Licensed Remediation Specialist, Andy Frishkorn

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Right: Lowering of a drilling rig over a steep embankment to the Kanawha River's edge prior to monitoring well installation.

Below: Collecting a groundwater sample at one of many boring locations.



owners of the site. We want to know exactly what is out there so that we can apply the right solutions to get it cleaned up," he said. "Everybody wins with this type of approach."

The site investigation phase will continue into 1999 with additional groundwater sampling and a well survey. The survey will begin in early 1999. Residents west of D Street will receive their surveys in the mail. For more information on the residential well survey, see the article on page 7 of this newsletter.



### 1998 QUOTES OF THE YEAR

*"This first voluntary remediation agreement between FMC and West Virginia is important because this is a complex site and if this program works at this site, it will work at any site across West Virginia."*

- Ken Ellison, Chief of WVDEP Office of Environmental Remediation

*"First of all, you need a company that's willing to work with you and that's what we have here with FMC."*

- Richie Robb, Mayor of South Charleston

*"I am pleased with FMC's interest in what we, the people who live here, think about the site and its future."*

- Cindy Wegman, PAG member

*"FMC is gratified to be able to come back into South Charleston and clean the East Plant, which is something we should have done in 1985."*

- Bob Fields, FMC Vice President of Environment, Health, Safety, and Toxicology

### 1998 QUOTES OF THE YEAR (cont.)

*"We want to involve the community from start to finish."*

- Jim Bodamer, FMC Project Manager

*"The business and residential community of South Charleston will benefit greatly from the improvements and the development."*

- Danny O'Donovan, PAG member

*"FMC's approach and attitude have been centered on how to best benefit the community. The PAG will be an invaluable resource. I'm honored to be a part of it."*

- Robin Ollis, Public Advisory Group facilitator

*"It's our responsibility to clean this up and this program (VRRDA) gives us that opportunity and at the same time encourages redevelopment."*

- Jim Bodamer, FMC Project Manager