Mock Drill to Practice Emergency Response Teams During Community Event to be Lead by FMC and CaroMont Health

BESSEMER CITY, NORTH CAROLINA, September 18, 2014 – FMC Corporation’s Lithium facility and CaroMont Health will coordinate and lead a mock community response drill to involve eight nearby agencies on Wednesday, September 24. The drill will center around events on and near the FMC Bessemer City plant from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m and move to CaroMont Regional Medical Center finishing up by 12:30 p.m. The simulated incident will deliver extensive training and practice existing response skills of responders and the local health care provider, CaroMont Health.

This community-wide training simulation will help ensure that local disaster preparedness and readiness is appropriate in the event of a major emergency. The drill includes emergency planning and reviews with all agencies that respond to emergencies in the Bessemer City area.

The drill will involve a mock response to an airplane crash on FMC’s property at 1115 Bessemer City Kings Mountain Hwy, Bessemer City. Included in the practice are members of the Bessemer City Fire Department, Tryonota Volunteer Fire Department, Crowder’s Mountain Fire and Rescue, and GEMS. The Bessemer City Police Department, Gaston County Sheriff’s Department, North Carolina Highway Patrol, and Gaston County Emergency Management are also participating.

Gaston College Emergency Medical Technician students will role play as injured victims needing medical treatment and transportation to CaroMont Regional Medical Center.
The FMC and CaroMont Health collaboration on emergency preparedness, along with the City of Bessemer City officials and public safety resources, actively works to improve community readiness by lending expertise, leadership, and industry and public safety best practices. FMC has long been committed to supporting the community in which its employees, friends, and families live.

In Bessemer City, FMC invests time and resources to actively support the community surrounding its 900 acre site. This includes being actively involved in community programs and events that promote safety and quality of life.

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