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March 8, 2007

**RE: ADAMS COUNTY
GENERAL
20060596**

Mr. Gary Cooper
5946 Churn Creek Road
Stout, Ohio 45616

Dear Mr. Cooper:

The Southeast District Office of Ohio EPA conducted a follow-up inspection of the complaint that open dumping of solid waste is occurring on property off of Churn Creek Road in Adams County. I conducted an inspection of your property on March 6, 2007. I observed that solid wastes are dumped on your property. The solid wastes are mostly old clothes. On this inspection, I observed that the clothes had been burnt. I met with you on this day to discuss the open dumping and burning. You stated that you did not set the fire in the dump of clothes and that you are trying to remove the waste. You did send me a waste receipt from Pike Sanitation where Pike Sanitation removed 20 cubic yards of waste. You also stated that you would contact Pike Sanitation to bring in another roll-off box to properly remove and dispose of the solid wastes.

Until all of the wastes are disposed, you will be in violation of Ohio's solid waste laws.

Open dumping of solid waste is a violation of Chapter 3734 of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) and Section 3745-27 and 3745-400 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC).

Specifically:

ORC 3734.03 - No person shall dispose of solid wastes by open dumping or open burning.

OAC 3745-27-05(C) - No person shall conduct, permit, or allow open dumping. In the event that open dumping is occurring or has occurred at a property, the person responsible for the open dumping, the owner of the property, or the person who allows or allowed open dumping to occur, shall promptly remove and dispose or otherwise manage the solid waste in accordance with Chapter 3734, of the Revised Code, and shall submit verification that the solid waste has been properly managed.

Presently, you are in violation of the above referenced rules.

Open dumping of solid waste must cease immediately. All solid wastes disposed at the described location must be removed from the property and taken to a licensed solid waste disposal facility for proper disposal. Obtain copies of receipts from the landfill that received the waste and provide those copies to this District Office in order to document your compliance. I suggest that you obtain the services of a registered waste hauler to assist you in your waste disposal.

The disposal facilities located nearest to you in Ohio is the Pike Sanitation Landfill at 11775 State Route 220, Waverly, Ohio; the Rumpke Landfill in Georgetown, Ohio; the Portsmouth Exempt Transfer Station, located on Elm Street in Portsmouth, Ohio. You may choose to use other permitted and licensed facilities.

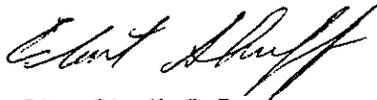
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I am requesting that you respond to me at this District Office within ten days of receipt of this letter to notify me of your intentions and actions taken to abate the open dumping.

Compliance with the requirements outlined in this letter, or the solid and infectious waste provisions contained in ORC Chapter 3734 and the rules promulgated thereunder, does not relieve the owner of his obligation to comply with other State and Federal laws and regulations.

Should you have questions, please contact me at (740) 380-5246.

Sincerely,



Clint Shuff, R.S.
Environmental Specialist
Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management

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cc: Jason Work, Adams County Health Department
cc: Karen Sapp, Adams County EMA