

**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor  
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor  
Scott J. Nally, Director

September 19, 2011

**RE: HOCKING COUNTY  
SITE - GEN**

Mr. Phil Grundish  
Grundish Fine Homes  
123 Mound Street  
Logan, OH 43138

Dear Mr. Grundish:

On September 6, 2011, a complaint was filed in this office regarding open dumping of solid waste and/or illegal disposal of construction & demolition debris on property located off Hideaway Hills Road in Hocking County. The property is owned by Peg Bathalter. The complaint alleged that a neighbor had recently contacted Ms. Bathalter and informed her that your son had hauled in demolition debris from an old farmhouse in the area and was disposing of it at this location. The complaint also indicated that the Hocking County Sheriff's Department was involved with the matter.

On September 16, 2011, I conducted an investigation at the site. At the time of my investigation, I spoke with an individual who is related to Ms. Bathalter about the site.

My investigation found what appeared to be approximately 15-16 dump truck loads of demolition debris illegally disposed of at the site. A small amount of solid waste was also intermixed with the material. Through discussions with Ms. Bathalter's relative and Deputy Ross Cowgill of the Hocking County Sheriff's Department, it is alleged that you and/or your son are responsible for dumping the illegal material at this location.

Please be advised that open dumping of solid waste or illegal disposal of construction & demolition debris is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) and the Ohio Revised Code (ORC). Specifically:

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

**OAC Rule 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(s) responsible for the open dumping, the owner of the property, or the person(s) who allow 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.

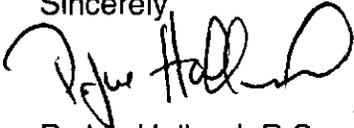
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**OAC Rule 3745-400-04(D)** - No person shall conduct or allow illegal disposal of construction and demolition debris.

Please immediately cease all open dumping of solid waste and illegal disposal of construction and demolition debris. All solid waste and construction & demolition debris at the site must be collected and properly disposed of in order to comply with the above mentioned ORC and OAC law and rules. Please retain and provide receipts showing all waste was properly disposed of at a licensed facility.

Please contact me within ten days of receipt of this letter, at 740-380-5439, as to your intentions to correct these violations.

Sincerely,



P. Joe Holland, R.S.  
Environmental Specialist II  
Division of Materials and Waste Management

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cc: Ross Cowgill, Hocking County Sheriff's Department  
Wendy Hanna, Hocking County Health District