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March 31, 2008

**RE: LAWRENCE COUNTY
SITE - GENERAL
300000132**

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Belville
P.O. Box 115
Waterloo, Ohio 45688

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Belville:

The Southeast District Office of the Ohio EPA received a complaint that open dumping of solid waste is occurring on property located behind the Waterloo School in Waterloo, Lawrence County, Ohio.

I conducted an inspection of the property on March 13, 2008. During this inspection, I observed solid wastes dumped onto the ground most in the form of scrap metal. I also observed several drums dumped on the property close to the Waterloo School, and several drums and a pile of solid waste located down the gravel road. I met with Ardella on this day to discuss the issue.

I have been informed by Scott Bergreen with Ohio EPA's Hazardous Waste Division that you have been working with him on characterizing the wastes in the drum. I would like to thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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

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 or recycled. Obtain copies of receipts from the landfill or recycling facility that received the waste and provide those copies to this District Office in order to document your compliance. Please respond to this District Office within fifteen days of receipt of this letter to inform me of your intentions and actions regarding the open dump.

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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 applicable 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: Lawrence County Health Department
cc: Dan Palmer, Lawrence and Scioto County Solid Waste Management District