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January 17, 2008

**RE: SCIOTO COUNTY
SITE - GENERAL
30000060**

Mr. Ralph Rawlins
1477 Dennison Hollow Road
South Webster, Ohio 45682

Dear Mr. Rawlins:

The Southeast District Office of Ohio EPA received a complaint that open dumping of solid waste is occurring off of Dennison Hollow Road, in South Webster, Scioto County, Ohio.

I conducted a follow-up inspection of your property on January 15, 2008, and observed solid wastes including gas tanks dumped at this property along side of the road. I met with you on this day to discuss the open dump. You stated that the gas tanks were dumped on your property at the request of your son who thought he could recycle the gas tanks. You stated that you are having a difficult time in finding a recycler that will accept car gas tanks.

I contacted Empire Recycling in Ironton. I was informed that they will take gas tanks if the gas tanks are cut in half, drained of liquid and the gauges are removed from the tanks. Empire Recycling can be reached at 304-634-4637. As the property owner, you are responsible for the solid waste violations that exist on your property.

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

OAC Section 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 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. Please respond to this District Office within ten days of receipt of this letter to inform me of your intentions and actions regarding the open dump.

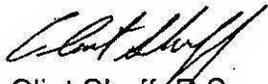
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The disposal facility located nearest to you is the Pike Sanitation Landfill at 11775 State Route 220, Waverly, Ohio. The Portsmouth Exempt Transfer Station is also located on Elm Street in Portsmouth, Ohio. You may choose to use other permitted and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

Compliance with the requirements outlined in the letter, or the solid and infectious waste provisions contained on ORC Chapter 3734 and the rules promulgated thereunder, does not relieve the owner of his or her 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: Mike Trapp: Scioto County Health Department
cc: Dan Palmer, Lawrence and Scioto County Solid Waste Management District