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Protection Agency**

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December 22, 2011

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Seneca County Commissioners
111 Madison Street
Tiffin, Ohio 44883

Dear Commissioners:

This letter is being written in regards to demolition at the structure located at 103 South Washington Street, Tiffin, Ohio, around November 17, 2011. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA), Northwest District Office (NWDO), Division of Air Pollution Control (DAPC) regulates building demolition and asbestos through Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-20. Specifically, OAC Rule 3745-20-03 requires the submittal of notification to Ohio EPA prior to proceeding with demolition. It is NWDO's understanding that the Seneca County Commissioners authorized the dismantling and removal of the boiler in the Seneca County Courthouse. The dismantling of the boiler began on or around November 17, 2011, and it was removed from the building on or around December 2, 2011. Ohio EPA considers the removal of the boiler as the beginning of demolition.

This notice of violation is being issued for the following rule violation:

1. Violation of OAC rule 3745-20-03(A), "Standard for notification prior to demolition or renovation," for failure to postmark or deliver notification of the demolition at least 10 days before beginning any demolition operation.

A fact sheet entitled "Understanding the Asbestos Notification Requirements for Facility Demolition and Renovation Activities." has been enclosed for your review. NWDO is requesting the commissioners submit a written response to this letter by January 13, 2012, which includes confirmation of the commissioners' understanding of the notification requirements.

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Please be advised that this letter does not constitute a waiver of the Ohio EPA's authority to seek civil penalties pursuant to ORC section 3704.06. The Ohio EPA will make a decision on whether to pursue or decline to pursue such penalties regarding this matter at a later date. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (419) 373-3058.

Sincerely,



Amy Heller
Division of Air Pollution Control

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Enclosures

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