



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

February 18, 2011

Re: Tuscarawas County
Open Burning
Complaint 30001737

Certified: 70101060000178960811

Mr. Jeff Aul or current resident
2959 Henderson School Road NE
New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663-8048

Dear Mr. Aul or current resident:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on January 25, 2011. The complaint alleges that garbage is being burned at your residence.

On February 15, 2011, I investigated this complaint and attempted to speak with you, but no one would answer the door. Evidence of the open burning of household materials was observed at a burn site on the property. I left a pamphlet that explains Ohio's open burning rules and my card in the backdoor.

To open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, etc., the property must be located in an unrestricted area (as your property is) and the burn site must be at least 1,000 feet from any inhabited building not on your property. The area where you are burning is not 1,000 feet from any inhabited building not on your property. If there is not a burn site location on your property that is at least 1,000 feet from any inhabited building not on your property, you cannot open burn residential waste at this location.

You are permitted to have a cookout or campfire using clean, seasoned firewood if the fire is not more than two feet in height and not more than three feet in diameter. The fire must be put out when the cookout/campfire is over and cannot be left unattended.

Open burning of improper waste materials at this location is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-04 and is punishable by a fine. If you continue to open burn improper waste materials, legal action will be taken against you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 740-380-5217 or 1-800-686-7330.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

LD/mlm