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October 26, 2011

John and Mary Pollack
1805 7th St NE
Canton, OH 44704

Re: ILLEGAL OPEN BURNING ON YOUR PROPERTY IN MCKINLEY TOWNSHIP

Dear John and Mary Pollack:

The Canton City Health Department, Air Pollution Control Division (APCD) represents the Ohio EPA in air quality matters within Stark County. As such, APCD employees have the responsibility to investigate and enforce Ohio EPA (OEPA) air pollution regulations.

On Sunday, October 23, 2011, Engines 2, 6, and 10, Truck 9, and Medic 44, were sent to your address for what they suspected to be a structure fire. They report that they found leaves being burnt in a barrel.

Please be advised that this was in violation of Ohio EPA regulation Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3745-19-03 which forbids open burning for waste disposal in restricted areas. The Ohio EPA plans no further enforcement action or fines for this incident, but please be advised that repeat offenses can result in enforcement action.

The Ohio EPA does allow for recreational fires, there are some restrictions: The fire must be fueled with clean wood or equivalent and be no larger than three feet in diameter and two feet high and must not be used for waste disposal. See Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3745-19-03 (B)(2).

Also please be advised that the City of Canton has more restrictive ordinances governing recreational fires.

Sincerely,

Gregory A. Clark, CHMM, CAHES
Air Pollution Control Engineer

OAC 3745-19-03

cc: Addressee via First Class Mail

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