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Re: Belmont County
Open Burning
Complaint 30000406

Mr. Jordan Seebach
33450 State Route 78
Lewisville, Ohio 43754-9451

Dear Mr. Seebach:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on July 21, 2008. The complaint alleges that you are open burning demolition wastes from a house trailer at your home on State Route 78, Lewisville.

On July 24, 2008, I investigated this complaint and saw a large pile of trees, brush, and plywood piled beside your driveway toward the rear of your property. I left a pamphlet in your front door that explains Ohio's open burning rules.

On August 1, 2008, I spoke to you by phone. You told me that you had burned some wood from an old house trailer, but that the other demolition wastes and metal had been hauled out. As I explained at that time, demolition wastes (including wood) cannot be open burned for waste disposal purposes. To open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, etc., you must be outside the village limits and 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbor. The area where the trees and wood are piled is not 1,000 feet from your nearest neighbor.

Open burning of this type 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 may be taken against you.

If you have any questions, please contact me at this office at 740-380-5217.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
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