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October 19, 2007

Re: Belmont County
Open Burning
Complaint

Certified: 70063450000190561331

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Turvey
46571 National Road W.
St. Clairsville, Ohio 43950-9719

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Turvey:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on October 12, 2007. The complaint alleges that you are open burning junk and demolition debris from an old garage at your home.

On October 15, 2007, I investigated this complaint and spoke to you, Mrs. Turvey. Evidence of the open burning of insulation, wood, asphalt shingles, and other solid wastes was observed. I explained that demolition wastes, insulation, shingles, plastics, etc., cannot be open burned in Ohio. To open burn residential wastes such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, etc., the burn site must be at least 1,000 feet from your nearest neighbor. Your property is not 1,000 feet from your neighbors, therefore, you cannot open burn residential wastes on this property either.

Open burning of improper waste materials is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-04 and is punishable by a fine. All open burning in violation of the requirements specified in OAC rule 3745-19-04 must stop immediately. I am enclosing a pamphlet that explains this rule for you. If you continue to open burn improper waste materials, legal action may be taken against you.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to Ohio EPA's Division of Solid and Infectious Waste Management (DSIWM). The information in this letter will be evaluated by DSIWM and further investigation may be initiated if it appears violations within their jurisdiction have occurred.

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

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

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Enclosure

cc: Dave Chenault, DSIWM/SEDO