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Ted Strickland, Governor  
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May 4, 2010

Re: Hocking County  
Open Burning  
Complaint 30001341

Mr. and Mrs. Kornmiller  
14219 Pleasant Valley Road  
Logan, Ohio 43138-8454

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kornmiller:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on April 15, 2010. The complaint alleges that you are burning wastes from your greenhouse and construction business on your farm.

On April 23, 2010, I investigated this complaint and spoke to you, Mrs. Kornmiller. You showed me where you had burned some trash and a tree stump. You indicated that your greenhouse has been closed. As I explained during my visit, plastics, garbage, tires, furniture or any type of waste that is generated by a business cannot be open burned. I gave you a pamphlet that explains Ohio's open burning regulations. To open burn residential or agricultural waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, or matter generated by crop or livestock production practices that are generated on the property, your property must be in a an unrestricted area (as your property is) and the burn site must be at least 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbor. Your burn site is not 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbors. If there is not a location on your property that is at least 1,000 feet from any inhabited building not on the premises, then you cannot open burn residential or agricultural waste on this property.

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. All open burning in violation of the requirements specified in OAC rule 3745-19-04 must stop immediately. 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  
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