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September 5, 2008

Re: Hocking County  
Open Burning  
Complaint 30000458

Certified: 70063450000190563144

Mr. Trent Hogsett  
1233 Ohio Ave.  
Logan, Ohio 43138-9373

Dear Mr. Hogsett:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on August 8, 2008. The complaint alleges that you are open burning some type of waste material at your home which generates black smoke and smells bad.

On August 19, 2008, I investigated this complaint. There was no one home at the time of my investigation. Evidence of open burning was observed in the side yard. The tree limbs piled next to the fire ring appeared to be green. You are permitted to burn clean, dry (seasoned) fire wood for campfires or cookout fires. The campfire/cookout fire must be less than two feet by three feet in diameter. Green wood, green pine or yard wastes cannot be used for campfires or cookout fires.

To open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, brush, cardboard, etc., the property must be 1,000 feet outside the city limits and 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbor. This property does not meet these requirements. Campfires or cookout fires must meet the criteria cited above. Open burning improper waste materials or unseasoned firewood at this location is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code rule 3745-19-03 is punishable by a fine.

Please contact me at 740-380-5217 so that we can discuss this matter.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall  
Environmental Specialist  
Division of Air Pollution Control

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