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Re: Harrison County
Open Burning
Complaint 30000666

Certified: 70073020000178821305

Mr. John Ourant
31595 Campbell Road
Freeport, Ohio 43973

Dear Mr. Ourant:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on November 18, 2008. The complaint alleges that you are open burning large amounts of solid waste next to a blue building on your property on Campbell Road, Freeport.

On December 9, 2008, I investigated this complaint. There was no one at the garage or your home at the time of my investigation. I left my business card on the truck at the garage. Evidence of the open burning of wood and demolition wastes was observed.

On December 11, 2008, I spoke to you by phone. You told me that you had hauled a camper to your property and burned it along with some wood and brush. As I explained during our conversation, demolition wastes, campers, insulation, tires or anything that is hauled in to a property cannot be open burned for waste disposal purposes.

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. I am enclosing a pamphlet that explains Ohio's open burning rules for you.

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

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

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Enclosure