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Re: Harrison County
Open Burning
Complaint 20070522

Mr. Chester Jefferys
48009 Cadiz Harrisonville Rd.
Cadiz, Ohio 43907

Dear Mr. Jefferys:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on November 5, 2007. The complaint alleges that you are open burning garbage and plastics at your home.

On November 30, 2007, I investigated this complaint and spoke to you. You had burned some plant wastes and leaves in your backyard. To open burn residential wastes such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, etc., the fire must be at least 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbor. Your property is less than 1,000 feet from your neighbors and, therefore, you cannot open burn residential wastes on this property. You may still have cookouts or campfires using only clean, dry wood.

Open burning of this type 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 may be taken against you.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 740-380-5217 or 1-800-686-7330 as soon as possible so that we can discuss this issue.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
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Enclosure