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July 24, 2009

Re: Noble County
Open Burning
Complaint

Mr. Jim Archer
924 North St.
Caldwell, Ohio 43724-1046

Dear Mr. Archer:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on July 17, 2009. The complaint alleges that grasses, trees and brush are being open burned in your yard.

On July 17, 2009, I spoke to you by phone and informed you of the complaint. You told me that you had been burning. As I explained to you at that time, to open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, etc., your property must be located in an unrestricted area (outside the specified boundary of a municipal corporation) and the burn site must be at least 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbor. Because your property is located within the municipal corporation of Caldwell, you cannot open burn residential waste at this location. I am enclosing a pamphlet that explains Ohio's open burning regulations.

Open burning of improper waste materials at this location is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-03 and is punishable by a fine. All open burning in violation of the requirements specified in OAC rule 3745-19-03 must stop immediately. If you continue to open burn improper waste materials at this location, legal action may 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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Enclosure