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September 17, 2010

Re: Guernsey County
Open Burning
Complaint 30001577

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Miller
68227 Hopewell Road
Cambridge, Ohio 43725-8998

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Miller:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on August 31, 2010. The complaint alleges that you burn your household garbage on your property.

On September 6, 2010, I investigated this complaint and spoke to both of you. Evidence of the open burning of papers, garbage, and other residential waste materials was observed. As I explained at that time, to open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, etc., the property must be located in an unrestricted area (as your property is) and the burn site must be at least 1,000 feet from your nearest neighbor. Because there is not a burn site location on your property that is 1,000 feet from your nearest neighbor, you cannot open burn residential waste at this location. I gave you a pamphlet that explains Ohio's open burning rules (Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 3745-19).

Open burning of improper waste materials at this location is in violation of 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 regarding this matter, please contact me at 740-380-5217 or 1-800-686-7330.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
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