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June 6, 2007

Re: Pike County
Open Burning
Complaint 20070207

Certified: 7006345000190545980

Mr. Jim Litchfield
1153 Howard Road
Waverly, Ohio 45690

Dear Mr. Litchfield:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on May 14, 2007. The complaint alleges that tires, mattresses, and other solid wastes are being open burned at your home, 1153 Howard Road, Waverly. This property is owned by Mr. McKnight and leased by Mr. Heistead.

On May 25, 2007, I investigated this complaint and observed evidence of the open burning of furniture, tires, mattresses, demolition wastes, trash, and other solid wastes. There were also several tires on this property. The pile was quite large. These materials cannot be open burned on this property. Tires, furniture, demolition wastes, automobile parts, etc., cannot be open burned in Ohio. You also cannot open burn residential wastes on this property because this property is located in a restricted area. Residential wastes include paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, etc.

Open burning of this type 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 on this property or on any other property, legal action may be taken against you.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the local health department. The information within this letter can be evaluated by local health department and further investigation may be initiated if it appears violations within their jurisdiction have occurred.

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

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall

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cc: The Pike County Health District, 229 Valleyview Dr., Waverly, Ohio 45690