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May 28, 2008

Re: Washington County
Open Burning
Complaint 30000252

Certified: 70063450000190563717

Mr. and Mrs. Chad Yoho
104 Arborgate Drive
Marietta, Ohio 45750-9224

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Yoho:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on April 30, 2008. The complaint alleges that you open burned an out building at your home.

On May 6 and May 16, 2008, I investigated this complaint. There was no one at your home on either date. Evidence of the open burning of demolition debris was observed behind your home. I left a pamphlet in your door that explains Ohio's open burning rules.

On May 22, 2008, I spoke to you by phone to explain Ohio's open burning rules. You told me that you had burned an old storage shed and were not aware that this type of burning was not permitted.

Open burning of this type is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-04 and is punishable by a fine. Demolition and construction debris cannot be open burned in Ohio. To open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, cardboard, etc., the burn area must be at least 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbor. There is nowhere on your property that is 1,000 feet from the nearest neighbor. 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.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

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