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Re: Open Burning Complaint  
Wood and Defiance County

**Notice of Violation**

August 17, 2007

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Ron Stang  
Midtown Pallet  
P.O. Box 397  
Stoney Ridge, Ohio 43463

Dear Mr. Stang:

This office has received a report from a representative of the Ohio EPA concerning open burning pallets on your company's property at 18743 U.S. Rt 24 W. By means of this letter we hope to inform you of the seriousness of open burning, and inform you that open burning is a strictly regulated activity in Ohio, regulated pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code 3745-19 (copy enclosed).

Mr. Stang, Midtown Pallet has been found in violation of OAC 3745-19.

At this time, we ask that you submit a written response to the Ohio EPA, regarding this report, your understanding of the regulations, and what measures will be taken to prevent any further violations. Your response should be received by this Agency by August 31, 2007.

Please be advised that the submission of information to respond to this letter does not constitute waiver of Ohio EPA's authority to seek civil penalties pursuant to ORC Section 3704.06. The Ohio EPA will make a decision on whether to pursue or decline to pursue such penalties regarding this matter at a later date.

Keep in mind that penalties of up to \$25,000 could be assessed.

If you have any questions concerning this letter or the regulations, please call me at (419) 373-3120.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Grob  
Environmental Specialist 3  
Division of Air Pollution Control

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Enclosure

pc: Wood and Defiance County Health Department  
Lisa Holscher, U.S. EPA, Region V  
Tom Kalman, DAPC, CO  
~~DAPC/NWDO File~~  
NWDO Follow-Up File  
7006 0100 0003 7708 3318

ec: Tom Sattler, Supervisor