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Re: Open Burning Complaint
Erie County

Notice of Violation

July 13, 2007

Certified Mail

Mr. Terry Blankenship
6828 State Route 6
Sandusky, Ohio 43464

Dear Mr. Blankenship:

This office has received two reports from three Ohio EPA officials concerning open burning pallets on your property. 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. Blankenship you have been found in violation of OAC 3745-19.

At this time, we ask that you submit a written response to the Ohio EPA, regarding these reports, 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 July 27, 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: Erie County Health Department
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NWDO File
NWDO Follow-Up File
7006 3450 0001 0661 4076

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