



State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

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Ted Strickland, Governor  
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Re: Mercer County  
Open Burning Complaint  
Notice of Violation

November 7, 2007

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

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Christopher Vincent  
310 A North Jay St.  
Rockford, Ohio 45882

Dear Mr. Vincent:

This office received a complaint on October 25, 2007 concerning open burning being conducted on your property. The complaint was investigated by this office and our investigation shows that construction & demolition debris, coated wood trim, trash, plastic, aerosol cans, metal and gasoline were burned on dates including 9/1/07, 9/3/07, 9/10/07, 9/23/07, 10/16/07 and 10/24/07.

Based on our findings, there is sufficient evidence to determine that illegal open burning did occur and the complaint is justified. This a violation of OAC rule 3745-19-03.

A copy of the OAC rules pertaining to open burning has been enclosed. Please submit a written response to Ohio EPA indicating your understanding of the regulations and your commitment that no future open burning will occur. Your response should be received by this agency no later than November 19, 2007.

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

If you have any questions concerning this letter or the regulations, please call me at (419) 373-3137.

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Cikotte  
Division of Air Pollution Control

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**Enclosure**

pc: Lisa Holscher, U.S. EPA Region V  
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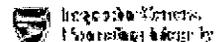
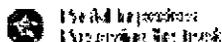
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