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Ted Strickland, Governor
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Re: Sandusky County
Open Burning Complaint

Notice of Violation

November 16, 2007

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Joe Reed
Reed Supply
2430 Northwest Road
Castalia, Ohio 44824

Dear Mr. Reed:

This office received a complaint on October 22, 2007, concerning open burning being conducted on your property. The complaint was investigated by this office on October 23, 2007. Our investigation shows that a substantial fire was started when the illegal open burning of waste and scrap wood from your business caught surrounding debris, pallets and trash on fire. A total of nine different fire departments were involved with the response to combat the resulting fire. This occurrence was the third time in less than 12 months that at least one fire department has had to respond to the facility to extinguish fires that were considered illegal open burning.

Based on our findings, there is sufficient evidence to determine that illegal open burning did occur and the complaint is justified. This is a violation of OAC rule 3745-19-04.

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 30, 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.

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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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 REED SUPPLY
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 CASTALIA OH 44829

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