



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Scott J. Nally, Director

May 29, 2012

Re: Guernsey County
Open Burning

Ms. Tessa Campbell
211 S. Church Street
Cumberland, Ohio 43732

Ms. Campbell,

I was recently in your neighborhood investigating a complaint of open burning. I contacted the Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department to request fire reports for the fire runs they have recently made in Cumberland.

A report from the Cumberland Fire Department states that on May 8, 2012, they responded to a fire at your home. Upon arrival they found that the fire had just been extinguished but it was apparent that brush, wood and cardboard had recently been burned.

Because your property is located in a restricted area, you cannot open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, brush, cardboard, etc. Garbage, furniture, tires, plastics, etc. cannot be burned anywhere in Ohio.

Open burning of improper waste materials at this location is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-03 and is punishable by a fine. I am enclosing a pamphlet that explains this rule for you. All open burning in violation of the requirements specified in OAC rule 3745-19-03 must stop immediately. If you continue to open burn improper waste materials at this location or any other location in Ohio, legal action may be taken against you.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 740-380-5217 or 1-800-686-7330.

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

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