



**Environmental
Protection Agency**

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

August 10, 2011

Re: Ross County
Open Burning
Complaint 30001971

Mr. Christopher Gillenwater
318 Beatty Road
Waverly, Ohio 45690

Dear Mr. Gillenwater:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on July 21, 2011. The complaint alleges that you burned tires or plastic-coated wire at your home.

On July 26, 2011, I investigated this complaint and spoke to you. You told me that you had burned some wood and a television set. Evidence of the open burning of waste materials was observed. The fire department had responded to the fire and put the fire out. You have trash pickup for your household wastes. As I explained at that time, plastics, garbage, furniture, particle board, etc. cannot be open burned anywhere in Ohio. You told me that you would not burn again.

You are permitted to have a cookout or campfire using clean, seasoned firewood if the fire is not more than two feet in height and not more than three feet in diameter. The fire must be put out when the cookout/campfire is over and cannot be left unattended.

Open burning of improper waste materials at this location is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-04 and is punishable by a fine. I gave you a pamphlet that explains this rule.

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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Enclosure