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May 7, 2006

RE: Ross County
Open Burning
Complaint 20070156
Certified: 7006345000190545751

Resident
3549 Maple Grove Road
Chillicothe, OH 45601

Dear Resident:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on April 23, 2007. The complaint alleges that on April 18, 2007, someone was burning a building and other materials approximately 25 feet behind the house at 3549 Maple Grove Road, Chillicothe. On May 1, 2007, I investigated the complaint. No one was at home at the time of the inspection, but I observed evidence of two open burning areas consisting of building material, wood waste, shingle, bicycle tires and other waste materials.

The open burning of wastes including buildings, demo debris, plastics, rubber, grease, garbage, asphalt, or plastic-coated wires is not permitted in Ohio. The open burning of residential waste (i.e., paper, cardboard, etc.) is only permitted if you are more than one thousand feet from an inhabited residence. The site where the burning of the waste materials is conducted is not more than one thousand feet from inhabited residences. Therefore, residential waste cannot be burned at the 3549 Maple Grove Road property. Continuing to open burn any improper waste materials at this site is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-04 and is punishable by a fine. All open burning in violation of the requirements specified in OAC Chapter 3745-19 must stop immediately.

If you continue to open burn improper waste materials or allow open burning to be conducted on your property, legal action may be taken against you.

A copy of this letter is being forwarded to the local health department. The information within this letter can be evaluated by the local health department, and further investigation may be initiated if it appears rule violations within in their jurisdiction have occurred.

Enclosed is a copy of OAC Chapter 3745-19 (Open Burning Standards) and a brochure about the hazards of open burning. Please contact me at (740) 380-5231 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Steve Lowry
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

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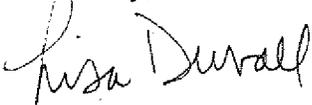
Enclosure

cc: Ross County Health Dept

Mr. Randy Fink
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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 740-380-5217.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Duvall". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

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