Re: Crawford County
Open Burning Complaint

Notice of Violation

June 9, 2010

CERTIFIED MAIL

Paul J. & Betty Ann Ebbeskotte
Property Owners
P.O. Box 92
6945 Sandusky Rd.
Chatfield, OH 44825

Dear Mr. & Ms. Ebbeskotte:

This office received a complaint on June 3, 2010, concerning open burning being conducted on your property. I investigated the complaint on June 8, 2010. My investigation shows that a burn barrel is used to burn materials for disposal purposes within 1000' of adjacent residences, in a restricted area.

Based on my 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 3745-19-03(A). A copy of the OAC rules pertaining to open burning has been enclosed for your review.

Please submit a written response to Ohio EPA, Northwest District Office indicating your understanding of the regulations and your commitment that no future illegal open burning will occur. Your response should be received by this agency no later than June 28, 2010.

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, I can be reached by calling (419) 373-3137 or via e-mail at thomas.cikotte@epa.state.oh.us.

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Cikotte
Division of Air Pollution Control

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Enclosure

pc: Thomas C. Cikotte, DAPC – NWDO
Crawford County Health Dept.

ec: Lisa Holscher, U.S. EPA Region V
Tom Kalman, DAPC - CO
Don Waltermeyer, DAPC - NWDO
Tom Sattler, DAPC - NWDO

OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION REPORT

DISTRICT	COUNTY	DATE RECEIVED	DATE(S) INVESTIGATED
NWDO	Crawford	6.3.10	6.8.10

TYPE

TELEPHONE	X	INDUSTRIAL	
VISIT		PARTICULATE	
LETTER		ODOR	
DCN		FUGITIVE DUST	
E-MAIL		OPEN BURNING	X
OTHER		OTHER	

AIR

HPF

COMPLAINANT:
Sara Cotsamire
P.O. Box 33
6948 Sandusky Rd.
Chatfield, Oh 44825
419.569.9323

SUSPECTED SOURCE OF EMISSIONS:

Burn Site:
Paul J. & Betty Ann Ebbeskotte
P.O. Box 92
6945 Sandusky Rd.
Chatfield, OH 44825
419.988.2311

STATEMENT OF COMPLAINANT: People at this address were using a hauling service for a while, however, now they're burning again. She has seen plastic pots from flowers and plants in the family's burn barrel and now they're gone. Believes they're burning at night.

STATEMENT OF SOURCE OPERATOR: None. No one home at time of inspection.

FINDINGS: JUSTIFIED X NOT JUSTIFIED _____ CANNOT BE DETERMINED

RECOMMENDATIONS: NOV **DATE OF WRITTEN FOLLOW UP** ___ 6.9.10

CORRECTIVE ACTION AGREED TO BY SOURCE: None. No one home at time of inspection.

COMMENTS: Observed a burn barrel approx 1/3 full of ash and also contained two large metal bars. Burning occurred within 1000' of adjacent residences.

INVESTIGATOR(S): TCC **DATE RESOLVED:** 6.9.10