

Air Pollution Control Division

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Wednesday, May 14, 2008

Diane Keim
1930 Coventry RD NE
Massillon, OH 44646

**Re: NOTICE OF VIOLATION: OHIO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 3745-19-03;
UNAUTHORIZED ILLEGAL OPEN BURNING IN A RESTRICTED AREA.**

Dear Ms. Keim:

The Canton City Health Department, Air Pollution Control Division (APCD) represents the Ohio EPA in air quality matters within Stark County. As such, APCD employees are charged with the responsibility to investigate and enforce Ohio EPA (OEPA) air pollution regulations. APCD employees are authorized under Ohio Revised Code 3704.03 (L) to enter upon private property to determine if there is noncompliance with OEPA regulations.

On Monday, May 12, 2008 at 2:50 PM, I inspected your residential property in response to an anonymous complaint reporting possible illegal open burning in your rear yard at 1930 Coventry RD NE Massillon, OH 44646 in Perry Township of Stark County. I photographed evidence of the landscape waste that could be used for open burning in an area behind the residence, a violation of The Ohio Administrative Code 3745-19-03.

Since this residential property is located in what the Ohio EPA defines as a restricted area, according to The Ohio Administrative Code, 3745-19-03; bonfires, campfires and outdoor fireplace equipment, whether for cooking food for human consumption, pleasure, religious, ceremonial, warmth, recreational, or similar purposes, if the following conditions are met:

- 1. They are fueled with clean seasoned firewood, natural gas or equivalent, or any clean burning fuel with emissions that are equivalent to or lower than those created from the burning of seasoned firewood;*
- 2. They are not used for waste disposal purposes; and*
- 3. They shall have a total fuel area of three feet or less in diameter and two feet or less in height.*

The Perry Township Fire Department has guidelines in addition to OAC 3745-19-03 for recreational fires;

- 1. A recreational fire shall not last for no more than 3 hours in time;*
- 2. Must be 25 feet from any structure, and area around the fire free of debris.*

The Ohio Administrative Code 3745-19-01 (F) defines "Landscape waste" as any plant waste material, except garbage, including trees, tree trimmings, branches, stumps, brush, weeds, leaves, grass, shrubbery, yard trimmings, and crop residues.

Be aware that, The Ohio Administrative Code 3745-19-06 Open burning unilateral order;

1. *The director may assess and collect administrative penalties from any person who violates any of the rules in this chapter. **Through unilateral orders, the director may assess a violator not more than \$250.00 per day for each separate violation of the rules in this chapter for open burning on residential property and not more than \$1,000.00 per day for each separate violation of the rules in this chapter for open burning on industrial, commercial, institutional, or municipal property. Commercial property includes construction sites, including, but not limited to, the construction of residential homes, if the sites are not properly permitted under section 3704.11(C) of the Revised Code. A separate violation is assessed for each day (24-hour period) the violation occurs.***
2. *The director's authority under paragraph (A) of this rule is in addition to, and not in limitation of, the director's authority under section 3704.06 of the Revised Code to request the attorney general to initiate legal action to seek penalties of not more than twenty-five thousand dollars for each day of each violation for the violation of rules in this chapter.*

This agency strongly advises you to conduct any future open burning in strict compliance with the Ohio EPA regulations so as to avoid any further response from this Agency. Should you have any questions concerning this letter or the open burning regulations, please contact me at (330) 489-3385.

Sincerely,



Denny Tan

Staff Field Inspector II
Air Pollution Control Division
Canton City Health Department

Enc:

- 1) Photographs taken on 05/12/08 at 2:52 PM

Pc:

- 1) Addressee via certified mail
- 2) Open burn file
- 3) NOV Correspondence file, May 2008

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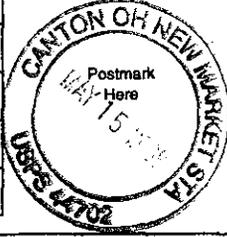
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