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CERTIFIED MAIL

November 05, 2007

Mr. Ronald Serafini
812 Greenfield AVE SW Apt#2
Canton, OH 44706

**Re: UNAUTHORIZED BURNING FROM 10/31/2007
CITY OF CANTON CODIFIED ORDINANCES - RECREATIONAL FIRES**

Dear Mr. Serafini:

Recently, an alleged unauthorized illegal open burning was reported to the Canton Air Pollution Control Division, a Stark County representative for the Ohio EPA. It was forwarded from the Canton City Fire Department. Upon the arrival of the Canton City Fire Department to your residence on 10/31/2007, they discovered that you were burning lumber in an area of the back yard. The fire crew stood by as the remaining fire had been extinguished. A member of this office investigated the complaint and talked with Daniel McMillen concerning this matter.

Because you are located in a restricted area, open burning is prohibited except for very specific and minimal allowances with special conditions per the enclosed Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-03 and the City of Canton Codified Ordinances 1513.02 and 1513.03. Any open burning on your property will be a violation of this regulation if all requirements are not met.

- 1. Application for approval of recreational fires shall be verbally submitted to the Fire Prevention Bureau at least forty-eight (48) hours before the fire is set. If a recreational fire is planned for a weekend or holiday, notification shall be given by 4:00 p.m. Friday or by 4:00 p.m. on the last business day before the holiday. Call (330) 489-3411 for further information.**
- 2. The material shall be of the minimum size for the intended purpose, consist only of seasoned dry firewood and be ignited with a small quantity of paper. The fuel shall be chosen to minimize the generation and emission of air contaminants.**
- 3. They are not to be used for waste disposal purposes; and**
- 4. A recreational fire shall not be more than 2 ft. x 2 ft. X 2 ft. in dimension and shall not be permitted to burn longer than three (3) hours, unless approved**

by the Fire Prevention Bureau. All recreational fires shall be extinguished by 11:00 p.m.

5. The location of the fire shall not be less than fifty (50) feet from any structure.
6. A recreational fire shall be constantly attended until the fire is completely extinguished. Approved extinguishing equipment shall be available for immediate utilization at all times.

If you wish to properly dispose of freshly cut branches, grass, shrubs, leaves, and stumps, there are conveniently located recycling stations throughout Stark County. Enclosed are the open burning regulations for your information, and locations of yard waste collection sites.

This Agency would appreciate your cooperation with regard to this matter. Should you have any questions concerning this letter or the open burning regulations, please contact me at (330) 489-3385.

Sincerely,



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

- Enc: (1) OAC rule 3745-19-03
(2) Location of yard waste collection sites
(3) Ohio EPA Open Burning Regulations Brochure
(4) City of Canton, Certified Ordinances 1513.02, and 1513.03
(5) Photographs

- Pc: (1) Addressee via first-class and certified mail
(2) Open burn file
(3) Violation letter file
(4) Chief Stephen J. Rich – City of Canton Division of Fire



Picture taken on 11/05/2007, 11:00 am
by Staff Field Inspector Denny Tan
812 Greenfield AVE SW. Canton

Picture shows recreational fire site located in rear of 812 Greenfield AVE SW. City Ordinance requires a fuel area no larger than 2'X2'X2'. Pictured remains are just larger than allowable. Fires must be 50' away from any structure



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A beverage can was found in the remains. Recreational fires are not for waste disposal

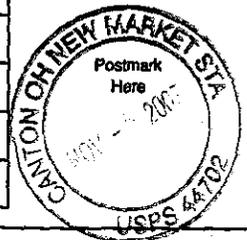
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 Street, Apt. No.;
 or PO Box No. 812 GREENFIELD AVE SW APT #2
 City, State, ZIP+4 CANTON OH 44706

PS Form 3800, June 2002 See Reverse for Instructions

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1. Article Addressed to:

 RON SERAFINI
 812 GREENFIELD AVE SW APT #2
 CANTON OH 44706

2. Article Number
 (Transfer from service label)

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