

MAHONING-TRUMBULL AIR POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

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October 15, 2009

Pearl Stepp
5307 State Route 82
Newton Falls, Ohio 44444

Re: Complaint # 09-088
Letter of Warning

Certified Mail: 7007 2560 0001 3200 4948

Ms. Stepp,

On September 21, 2009, the Mahoning-Trumbull Air Pollution Control Agency (M-TAPCA) received a complaint concerning open burning of wood, brush, fence debris and/or other miscellaneous items at the above stated facility address. The Braceville Twp. Fire Dept. incident report (run #2079) dated September 19, 2009 indicates that a large fire was observed at the above referenced address exceeding heights of 5 feet or more. Police stated the flames were higher prior to the Fire Dept.'s arrival and smoke was travelling across the Ohio turnpike towards State Route 303 .

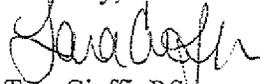
Please be advised that that you are not permitted to open burn in the State of Ohio for waste disposal purposes. Open burning in a restricted area for waste disposal purposes is a violation of Ohio Administrative Code 3745-19-03. Therefore, all open burning being conducted in violation of the above regulations must cease immediately.

Ohio Administrative Code 3745-19-06(A) provides that the director of Ohio EPA may assess and collect, through unilateral orders, civil penalties of not more than one thousand dollars per day for each separate violation of the open burning rules that occurs on industrial, commercial, institutional or municipal property.

Be advised that this warning letter does not constitute a waiver of MTAPCA's ability to pursue further enforcement action through Ohio EPA concerning this or any other violations or to seek penalties as provided in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3704.

Enclosed is a copy of Ohio's Open Burning Standards for your review. If you have any questions regarding this letter or the regulations, please contact me at (330) 743-3333 extension 283.

Sincerely,



Tara Cioffi, RS
Sanitarian

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REPRESENTING THE OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY IN MAHONING AND TRUMBULL COUNTIES