



**Environmental  
Protection Agency**

John R. Kasich, Governor  
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor  
Scott J. Nally, Director

January 10, 2012

**Re: Guernsey County  
Open Burning  
Complaint 30002166**

Mr. Keith Moore  
10355 Burt Street  
Byesville, Ohio 43723

Dear Mr. Moore:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office on December 9, 2011. The complaint alleges that you burned a couch, mattresses and other waste materials at your home.

On December 21, 2011, I investigated this complaint and spoke to you. You told me that you had burned on your property and the Byesville Fire Department responded to the fire and explained what you could burn. Evidence of the open burning of wood, trash and plastics was observed. As I explained at that time, plastics, garbage, furniture, or any waste materials that are hauled in to a property cannot be open burned.

To open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, etc., the property must be located in an unrestricted area. Your property is located in a restricted area. Therefore, you cannot burn residential waste on this property.

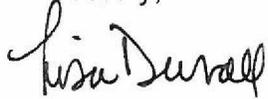
You are permitted to have a cookout or campfire using clean, seasoned firewood if the fire is not more than two feet in height and not more than three feet in diameter. The fire must be put out when the cookout/campfire is over and cannot be left unattended.

Open burning of improper waste materials at this location is in violation of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rule 3745-19-03 and is punishable by a fine. I gave you a pamphlet that explains this rule during my visit. All open burning in violation of the requirements specified in OAC rule 3745-19-03 must stop immediately. If you continue to open burn improper waste materials, legal action may be taken against you.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (740) 380-5217 or 1-800-686-7330.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Duvall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Lisa Duvall  
Environmental Specialist  
Division of Air Pollution Control

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cc: **Bruce Weinberg, SEDO, DAPC**  
The Byesville Fire Department