



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

January 3, 2013

Re: Washington County
Open Burning
Complaint 30002610

Ms. Barb Cody
103 Race St.
Marietta, Ohio 45750

Dear Ms. Cody:

I am writing this letter in response to a complaint received by this office November 26, 2012. The complaint alleges that Matt Fairchild, who rents a home from you, burns plastic coated copper wire, tires and other wastes on your property.

On December 19, 2012, I investigated this complaint and spoke to you. Mr. Fairchild was not at home. As I explained to you at that time, plastic coated copper wire, tires, garbage, etc. cannot be burned in Ohio. Evidence of the open burning of wood, trash, plastics, household garbage and other solid waste materials was observed in an area surrounded by blocks near the site where a home had previously burned.

To open burn residential waste such as paper, leaves, tree trimmings, cardboard, etc., the property must be located in an unrestricted area. This property appears to be in a restricted area, therefore, residential wastes cannot be burned on this property.

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. All open burning in violation of the requirements specified in OAC rule 3745-19-03 must stop immediately. If open burning in violation of this rule continues on your property legal action may be taken against you.

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

Sincerely,

Lisa Duvall
Environmental Specialist
Division of Air Pollution Control

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