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**CERTIFIED MAIL**

**WARNING LETTER**

Kenneth F. Wheldon  
4751 US Route 322  
Orwell, Ohio 44076

Dear Mr. Wheldon:

The Ohio EPA has received information about the illegal open burning of waste materials on your property at 4751 US Route 322, Windsor Township, Ohio. The open burning has been reported to have occurred on several occasions with the complaint being made on 5/13. A visit to the property has verified the presence of an ash pile containing a large amount of waste materials on the top of the pile.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that the open burning on 5/13 was in violation of OAC Rule 3745-19-04 which prohibits open burning for the purpose of waste disposal in unrestricted areas. Further, OAC Rule 3745-19-06 provides a penalty of up to two hundred-fifty dollars (\$250) per day per violation of the open burning regulations.

It is the responsibility of property owners to see that no illegal open burning is conducted on their property. Therefore, any further burning must cease immediately upon receipt of this letter.

If further violations are reported to this office, we will have no alternative than to refer the matter to our legal staff in Columbus for appropriate action. We hope that voluntary compliance will be forthcoming and this action will not be necessary.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the undersigned at (330) 963-1209.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Van Valkenburgh  
Environmental Specialist  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Air Pollution Control

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pc: Ray Saporito, Ashtabula County Health Dept.