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**ATHENS COUNTY
GENERAL FILE
(RON'S GARAGE)
DHWM/SEDO
NON-NOTIFIER**

Mr. Ron Sikorski, Sr.
Ron's Garage
12 High Street
Glouster, OH 45732

Dear Mr. Sikorski:

Ron's Garage in Glouster, Ohio, was issued four Notices of Violation dated August 10, 2007, October 4, 2007, October 29, 2007, and November 21, 2007 for violations of Ohio's hazardous waste and used oil rules. These violations were identified during a July 27, 2007 inspection of your business and subsequent follow up visits on September 19, 2007, and January 28, 2008. You failed to respond to the Notices of Violation with the actions and documentation that was requested.

On February 11, 2008, I returned to Ron's Garage again to determine your progress in returning to compliance with Ohio's hazardous waste and used oil rules. During this site visit, you provided information showing you had identified your spent fluorescent lamps as a universal waste and had made arrangements with Mayer Associates of Bainbridge Township, Ohio to have your fluorescent lamps recycled through their mail in service.

During my February 11, 2008 visit, I also observed that you had stopped storing your used oil in the containers that were in poor condition. Your used oil was being stored in a properly labeled plastic storage tote and in the storage tank of your new used oil burning space heater. You reported that you had decided that you would no longer store any used oil in 55-gallon drums. I also observed that you had also cleaned up the used oil stained soil next to the storage tote and in the rear of the building, where several drums had leaked. You reported that the used oil stained soil was disposed of as a solid waste.

My observations on February 11, 2008 and the information you provided during this follow-up visit show that Ron's Garage has abated all violations discovered during the July 27, 2007 inspection.

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During my visit, we spoke briefly about open burning restrictions when you mentioned that you had given away your empty drums to people planning to use them as burn barrels. Enclosed with this letter is an Ohio EPA brochure titled *Before You Light It...Knowing Ohio's Open Burning Regulations*. This brochure will provide you with more detailed information about the regulation of open burning.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (740) 380-5248.

Sincerely,



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NOTICE:

Ohio EPA's failure to list specific deficiencies or violations in this letter does not relieve your company from having to comply with all applicable regulations.