

STATE OF TENNESSEE

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September 17, 2013

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Ms. Cameo Farr 277 Grouse Ridge Road Harriman, Tennessee 37748

Re: Notice of Violation: Open dumping in violation of Tennessee Code Annotated Sections 68-211-104 (3), 68-211-104 (4); and 68-211-106 (a) (1); 277 Grouse Ridge Road, Morgan County

NRS #: 65-1213

Dear Ms. Farr:

On September 13, 2013, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's Division of Solid Waste Management received a citizen's complaint concerning your property located on 277 Grouse Ridge Road in Morgan County, Tennessee.

In the complaint, it was alleged animals were being dumped on site and in conjunction with your incinerator / pet business.

On September 16, 2013, I called and spoke with you on the phone concerning this matter, you stated you did not know of a pile of animals but would check into it. I sent the photos to you.

On September 17, 2013, the Division performed a site visit to the property; no sign of any dumped animals were present. I called you on the phone from your house. You stated they had been incinerated the night before.

It is a violation of the Division of Solid Waste Management's regulations to dispose of solid waste on non-permitted property. When animals are brought in they shall not be kept outside on the ground for a period over 3-days or if they are causing a nuisance the time shall be shorter. If the capacity of your incinerator is overwhelmed, please adjust the amount of animals brought in to keep them from decomposing on the ground before they can be incinerated. If this issue continues to be a problem this time frame may be revisited along with further violations issued.

The Division is requiring the ash to be deposited in a permitted landfill able to accept such waste. This will required a special waste so an application has been included with this letter. If the Division finds the same problem in the future, a second Notice of Violation will be issued for improper storage and disposal of solid waste.

If you claim that any portion of the items are not discarded or are being stored incidental to its recycling, reuse, reclamation or salvage, pursuant to Rule 0400-11-01-.02(1)(b)3(xvi) you are hereby required to demonstrate that there is a viable market for the material.

Tennessee Code Annotated Section 68-211-104 of this Act states in part that: It is unlawful to:

- (3) Construct, alter, or operate a solid waste processing or disposal site in violation of the rules, regulations, or orders of the commissioner or in such a manner as to create a public nuisance; or
- (4) To transport, process or dispose of solid waste in violation of this chapter, the rules and regulations established under the provisions of this chapter or in violation of the orders of the commissioner or board.

Operation and/or maintenance of solid waste disposal site without a proper permit constitutes a violation of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u> Section 68-211-106 (a) (1), which states in part:

No solid waste processing facility or disposal facility in any subdivision of the state of Tennessee shall be operated or maintained by any person unless such a person has registered with the commissioner in the name of such person for the specified facility or site.

All disposal of solid waste at the site must be stopped. All solid waste must be removed to either an appropriate recycling, processing and/or permitted disposal facility.

The Waste Evaluation Application Package for the proper disposal of the waste at a permitted facility shall be submitted to Knoxville Environmental Field Office at 3711 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville, TN 37921 within ten days of the receipt of this Notice of Violation, by September 27, 2013.

If you have any questions concerning this correspondence, please feel free to contact me at (865) 594-5464. If you have any questions concerning the Waste Evaluation Application Package, please contact Ms. Paula Plont at (865) 594-5474.

Sincerely,

David Fugate

Geologist

Division of Solid Waste Management

Revendra Awasthi

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Encl: Waste Evaluation Application Package

Cc: Nashville KEAC SWM

Mr. Jarrett Rudd, TDEC, Division of Air Pollution Control