

Feb. 2010

Governor Ted Strickland,
Riffe Center, 30th floor, 77 South High St.,
Columbus, OH 43215-6108

We, the undersigned, join together and urge you to call for a Statewide Moratorium on C&DD facilities to stop any further development including permitting, licensing, construction, and any activity of new facilities not operational until such time as our state legislators and the Ohio EPA are able to provide the regulations and practices needed to comply with OAC 3714.02 which states that “the rules shall **ensure** that the facilities **will not** create a nuisance, fire hazard, or **health hazard or cause or contribute to air or water pollution.**”

We ask you to rebut the false allegations that C&DD is inert and harmless based on 15 years of documentation, along with the recent June 2009 studies completed by The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency report entitled *An Evaluation of Leachate from Ohio's Construction and Demolition Debris Landfills* which states

- “the wide variety of parameters detected in C&DD leachate, the wide variation in the number of parameters that exceeded health based standards and surface water quality standards in C&DD leachate and the magnitude of the exceedances are evidence that C&DD is not harmless or inert.”
- “poses a threat to public health and the environment if released...”
- “supported by numerous studies showing that impacts by C&DD landfills have occurred or were indicated (US EPA, Draft 1995b), (Hamilton County General Health District, 2001), (Ohio EPA, 2006), (Townsend, Jambeck, & Clark, 2002),and (Ohio EPA, 2008).”

We declare that the state of Ohio has failed to provide protective measures for the health and safety of Ohio's citizens and environment against hazards and pollutants put out by C&DD facilities throughout Ohio. Even as we write this letter, contamination caused by these facilities is creating an increased risk of health related problems, contaminating drinking water, and polluting our soils and farmlands.

- According to an April 2008 report completed by the Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Waters, analysis of data collected from 47 C&DD sites around the state show that 66% indicate an impact to groundwater quality.

We call upon you to take immediate steps to protect public health across the state against the risk posed by inadequate Ohio Law and Administrative Rules governing C&DD facilities. The laws and rules must live up to their obligation to protect public health and the environment.

Sincerely,

Note: Citizens/Groups - to be added to this sign-on letter contact sandycwl597@hotmail.com by Feb 12th
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Columbus, Ohio 43215-6108 AND your state legislators (www.ohio.gov)