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My husband and I live in Warren county, more specifically the borough of Tidioute. There are no restrictions on the installation of outdoor wood furnaces in the county. Our neighbors installed a furnace about twenty ft. from our property line and approximately thirty five feet from our home. It sits in a depression from an old swimming pool. This makes the top of the furnace even with the floor of our back porch.

Our home is constantly surrounded in the stench of smoke day and night from early fall to late spring and sporadically throughout the summer. The smell permeates our home and doors must be closed quickly when going outside. We have tried talking to them about adding extra pipe on the stack to remedy the problem. The answer was a firm no. We cannot use our yard unless we are willing to inhale the foul odor and have our clothes smell of smoke. We have lived in this house for forty years and work hard to maintain the outward appearance of our home. Our neighbors moved in five years ago and we can no longer enjoy being outside.

My husband has COPD. The amount of smoke we inhale on a daily basis does not help his health issues. We have tried for three years to receive help with this problem and have been told nothing can be done. We would like to see guidelines in place for these furnaces that are best in rural areas, not urban.

Thank you  
Robert and Linda Reed