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To whom it concerns;

In regards to the new proposed requirements for existing OWBs (Outdoor Wood-fired Boilers). I have concerns in several areas.

- 1. The requirement for the OWB to be located 150 feet from the nearest other property line is not necessary in many instances. Examples would include adjoining farmland and mountain land. The only real concern should be an occupied home within some reasonable distance. Perhaps anyone with more then 10 acres should be exempt from the requirements.
- 2. The requirement for the smokestack to be 2ft higher then any residence within 500 feet is not practical. How could this requirement be met if one of the residences was at a much higher elevation then the OWB but within the 500 feet?
- 3. I believe it would be better to have these requirements set by local municipalities who are familiar with the local environment then to have a one size fits all remedy.

Thanks in advance for your consideration of these issues.

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