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USED OIL FIRED SPACE HEATERS

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Mr. Fred Hurban  
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Fort Washington, Pennsylvania 19034

Dear Mr. Hurban:

Per your telephone request of August 15, 1986, I am providing written confirmation of the status of used oil-fired space heaters under the November 29, 1985, regulations for the burning of hazardous waste and used oil fuel.

We sent a letter to Tom Kagi on February 4, 1986, (copy enclosed) explaining the application of these rules to space heaters. This application is the same regardless of the geographic location of the facility or space heater. In that letter we indicate that used oil could be burned in a space heater without testing for toxic materials under the following conditions:

1. The used oil is oil that you generate by servicing vehicles, or that you accept from "do-it-yourself" oil changers (you may not burn oil that you receive from another shop or from a used oil collector);
2. You have not mixed wastes such as solvents, with the used oil;
3. The heater is designed to have a maximum capacity of less than 0.5 million Btu per hour (rating is on heater nameplate); and
4. The flue gases are vented to the outdoors (e.g., through a chimney).

I hope this addresses your concerns. Please call me at (202)

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475-6128 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Karen Walker  
Environmental Scientist  
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