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TO THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE:

We have owned & operated our "outdoor wood-burning furnace" for the past nine years. We do so responsibly and with respect to our neighbors. We installed this source of heat to combat the high energy costs in the State of Connecticut. It supplies all of our domestic hot water and heat. We are environmentally conscious and limit our use of fossil fuels and electricity. The wood burning furnace allows us to accomplish these goals. Wood is a renewable resource, "Connecticut Grown", independent from the big oil companies.

Any complaints concerning outdoor wood-burning furnaces should be handled on an individual basis through existing laws. Those that burn their wood-burning furnace responsibly should not be punished. In these tough economic times, an outdoor wood-burning furnace makes good sense.

Sincerely,

Scott J. Aitken