



STATE OF IOWA

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
RICHARD A. LEOPOLD, DIRECTOR

June 4, 2010

Ed Elmore
2547 129th Street
Fairfield, IA 52556

RE: Complaint #4/10-34 Manure Application
Facility #61509
Jefferson County

Dear Mr. Elmore:

Our office recently received a complaint alleging that hog manure originating from one of your buildings had been surface applied within the separation distance of a residence. I have not been unable to contact you to discuss this complaint and verify if the manure had originated from one of your buildings. Regardless, measurements I made between the residence and the application area were just under the 750 feet required. However, because it was difficult to determine the exact boundary of the application area, I could not document a violation of the manure application separation distance rules.

I have enclosed a table of the manure application separation distances for your future reference. Please note that in addition to the distance to a residence there are also distances to water sources and wells when surface applying manure. Also note the exemptions for small animal feeding operations etc.

If you have any questions or would like further explanation of any part of this report, please contact me in this office at 319-653-2135.

Sincerely,

FIELD SERVICES & COMPLIANCE BUREAU

Bert Noll
Environmental Specialist

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xc: CAFO Section DNR, Des Moines
File: Jefferson County CAFO/Ed Elmore