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October 15, 2010

Ms. Dorothy Smith  
1020 Saint Michaels Road  
Mount Airy, MD 21771

**RE: Variance Approval**  
1020 Saint Michaels Road  
Mount Airy, MD 21771

Ms. Smith:

This letter is being issued in response to your variance request dated October 14, 2010. This agency will grant **approval** of the waiver to the required Percolation Certification Plan as required by the *Howard County Code, Subtitle 8, Section 3.805*. The waiver has been approved on the basis that there is adequate area available on the 2.5 acre property for future on-site sewage disposal. Additionally, one of the two existing bedrooms in the home is being converted to an office, so the number of bedrooms will not increase. Furthermore, Mr. Dave Behrens, Behrens Contractors has indicated that you are the only occupant in the home and intend to continue to live in the home. Therefore, the wastewater generated from the home is not expected to change. *Please be advised that the Health Department does not have records for your property and if the occupancy increases, the Health Department recommends that perc testing is performed and the drywell system should be evaluated for adequacy.*

Please be advised that any future addition may require percolation testing and a Percolation Certification Plan will be required. Any deviations from the site plan submitted with the request will be subject to further review by this Department.

Any questions regarding this decision may be directed to the Well and Septic Program of the Howard County Health Department.

Respectfully,

Michael J. Davis, R.S.  
Assistant Director  
Bureau of Environmental Health

c: File

DATE: October 14, 2010

RE: Variance Request-B10002855  
Percolation Certification Plan 1020 Saint Michaels Road  
**Tax Map 7, Grid 2, Parcel 22**

TO: Michael Davis, Deputy Director  
Howard County Health Department

Dear Mr. Davis,

I am requesting a variance for the Percolation certification plan required to build my addition. The Health Dept. has no information regarding my septic system. The addition is 45' x 20' located in the rear of the house. The well and the septic system meet the required setbacks. The property is 3 acres and has been surveyed. The surrounding properties are located more than 200 feet away. Furthermore, the septic system can accommodate the addition because of the extra drywell on the property.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at the above address or by calling (410) 429-4566.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dorothy Smith".

Dorothy Smith



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Office: \_\_\_\_\_  
Map Width: 1,820.00 ft.  
Print Date: 10/14/2010  
Scale: 1 in. = 200 ft.