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October 15th, 2007

James Wolbert
15151 Frederick Road
Woodbine, MD 21797

**Re: Building Permit Application
#B07003910**

Dear Mr. Wolbert,

This letter is regarding your building permit application submitted on September 20th, 2007 for a detached garage. Typically, prior to approval of a building permit the Health Department requires an approved percolation certification plan to help determine whether the existing septic disposal area can adequately accommodate the proposed construction or if the construction will affect or harm the existing septic area. However, this rule does not necessarily apply to the construction of detached garages.

Since neither a signed percolation certification plan nor an equivalent plan could be located in our file for your property, a variance request may be submitted in writing by the homeowner to waive the requirement of a percolation certification plan. This variance request should state your case such that you're confirming construction of the garage will not be compromising your current septic system and that your current system is not indicating any signs of failure or displaying concerns such as groundwater penetration or contamination, etc. Please forward this letter to the following address:

**Bureau of Environmental Health
Attn: Sara Sappington
7178 Columbia Gateway Drive
Columbia, MD 21046**

Please be advised that variance reviews can take up to a period of 3 weeks. For further questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact our office during business hours Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm at (410) 313-1771.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Heidi Scott'.

Heidi Scott
Well & Septic Program
Development Coordination Section

October 18, 2007

Bureau of Environmental Health

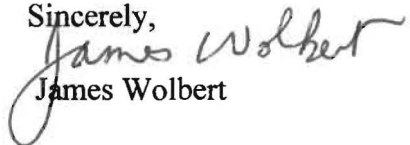
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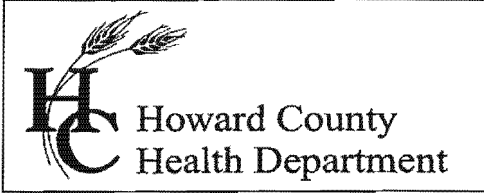
Attn: Sara Sappington

I am writing this letter to file a variance request to waive the requirement of a percolation certification plan as pertains to building a garage. The proposed detached garage will be built in the rear of a five-acre lot. The garage will be at a higher elevation and 140 feet from the dry well. In no way will the garage affect the performance of the septic system. The septic system has been maintained and there are no signs of failure, nor is it displaying any concerns such as ground water penetration or contamination. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Wolbert". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

James Wolbert



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October 31, 2007

Mr. James Wolbert
15151 Frederick Rd.
Woodbine, MD 21797

RE: **Variance Approval**
15151 Frederick Rd.
Woodbine, MD 21797

Dear Sir:

The Department of Health has received your variance request dated October 18, 2007 for the above referenced property. This agency will grant **approval** of the variance to waive the required Percolation Certification Plan as required by the *Howard County Code, Subtitle 8, Section 3.805*. The variance has been approved on the basis that the proposed detached garage without plumbing does not increase the wastewater flow from the single family residence and the property is five acres with 1971 and 1977 perc testing notes that indicate there is ample area available for on-site sewage disposal.

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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Michael J. Davis'.

Michael J. Davis, R.S.
Well and Septic Program Manager

cc: File

MD # 144

A1105-94

380.00

92.50' Elev @ Time of Perc. Test

Exist 92.50

Inj 87.5'

Existing GB 93.2'

Inj 89.25'

573.81

555.51

90.0' Inj

FF 98.50'
Base 91.50'

Well
Elev 100.0'

98'

102'

345.00'

I certify the above measurements and elevation differences are actual and correct for this property
PLANS OK 10/17/77 R12
James W. Wolbert