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November 18, 2011

Mr. & Mrs. Bowman
1706 Woodbine Road
Woodbine, MD 21797

RE: Waiver Approval
1706 Woodbine Road
Woodbine, MD 21797

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Bowman:

This letter is being issued as follow up to the Health Department's verbal approval of your waiver request. The Health Department received your waiver request dated September 12, 2011 for the above referenced property. 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 perc testing to establish a sewage reserve area was performed on August 9, 2002. Test result were satisfactory, however the area was not surveyed. Health Department field notes are not accurate enough to delineate the sewage reserve area, but are accurate enough to know that the proposed addition will not impact future on-site sewage disposal repair area.

Be advised that any future on-site sewage disposal repair may require perc testing to confirm soil profiles. 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., R.E.H.S.
Assistant Director
Bureau of Environmental Health

September 12, 2011

Michael Davis, Assistant Director
Bureau of Environmental health
Howard County Health Department
Well and Septic Program
7178 Columbia Gateway Drive
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Re: Request for Variance from Perk Certification Plan
1706 Woodbine Road
Woodbine, MD, 21797

Dear Mr. Davis,

I am writing to request a variance from the Perk Certification Plan related to the construction of a family room addition on our property located at 1706 Woodbine Road (previously identified as 1756 Woodbine Road) in Woodbine, MD 21797. The property includes a 4 bedroom house and is situated on approximately 9.8 acres of land, mostly used for pasture. We purchased the house and property in 2002 from the estate of my husband's uncle, Basil Bowman. He built the house in the 1950's and lived there until the last year of his life. We are now the second owners of the property and we live here with our children.

We plan to build a family room addition on the rear of the house. It will not impact the septic system, which was installed in 2002, in accordance with Howard County requirements. The new space will not include any additional bedrooms, only a family room with basement. Our septic system and well have been in constant use and have worked perfectly.

We have included a scaled plot which marks the current building, the proposed location of the family room addition, and the location of the well and septic system. You can see that the proposed addition is substantially more than the minimum required distance of 20 feet from the septic drain fields and 10 feet from the septic tank. We allowed for adequate space for additional drain fields, should they ever be needed, when the system was installed in 2002. Additionally, since we have nearly 10 acres, there is adequate space to move the septic system, if that ever becomes necessary.

9/29/2011
Approval
M. Davis

In summary, we believe that we should be granted a variance from the requirement for a Perk Certification Plan for this property. With the information already on file in your office and the scale drawing included with this letter, we have provided all the information needed for you to verify that the septic and well on our property are not in the way of the proposed addition to the house. Thank you for your prompt response to our request.

Sincerely,

Jean and Donald Bowman
9-13-2011

Jean and Donald Bowman,

Please contact us at :
1706 Woodbine Road,
Woodbine, MD 21797

Or by telephone:

410-489-7374 (home)
240-276-9772 (work)

Bousman Family
1706 Woodbine Rd.
Woodbine, MD 21797

Mike -
The plan in this file
is the same as the
one they meant to send
w/ their variance
request.

- Heidi

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