



November 26, 2008

Ms. Sara Sappington
Howard County Health Department
7178 Columbia Gateway Drive
Columbia MD 21046

**Re: Edgewood Farms, Lot 13
Variance Request from Well Setback**

Dear Ms. Sappington

On behalf of my client, Toll Brothers Inc., I would like to request a variance for Lot 13 at Edgewood Farms. The variance requested is to reduce the setback for an underground LP tank as stated in the Howard County Code Section 3.808 Required Setback Distances. The Code states a minimum 100' setback for an underground LP tank from the Well. We are requesting that the LP tank on Lot 13 be located 30' from the Well Box on Lot 14, actually 120' down gradient from the existing well. This location will allow for service of the LP tank from the driveway on Lot 13 and not from Roxbury Road, where the truck would block traffic during deliveries. I have attached a copy of the Plot Plans for Lot 13 and 14 for your reference.

Thank you in advance for your consideration in this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call me at 410-365-4175.

Sincerely,

ESE Consultants, INC.

Michael Boyce, Professional Land Surveyor
Assistant Regional Director of Survey

12/10/08
- eng to talk w/ homeowner about new location
- suggested contacting propane haulers to determine length of line to make a better judgement for location of tank ok

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December 10, 2008

Michael Boyce
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RE: **Variance denial**
Edgewood Farm lot 13
14617 Cory's Court
Glenelg, MD

Dear Mr. Boyce:

The Health Department received your letter dated November 26, 2008 requesting to locate an underground propane tank less than one hundred feet from the existing well. The *Howard County Code; Title 3, Subtitle 8, Section 3.808 (m)* requires a one hundred foot setback. The propane tank is located thirty (30) feet from the designated well box on lot 14. Due to site constraints on neighboring lots, the well box on lot 14 may not be adjusted to increase separation for potential replacement well sites with the propane tank. Additionally, it appears that a reasonable effort has not been made to maximize the separation. Based on site conditions and the fact that a reasonable effort has not been made to maximize the separation your request has been denied.

If you wish to appeal this decision you must file a written appeal within fifteen days to the executive secretary of the Board of Health in accordance with the provisions of the *Howard County Code; Title 12, Subtitle 1, Section 12.110 (f)*.

Respectfully,

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

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