July 6, 2012

Stephanie Mason
Zoning Officer
Doylestown Twp

Dear Ms. Mason

This letter is in reference to Doylestown Twp residents question of; Abandonment of an existing on-site septic system.

When a system is no longer to be used, this Department requires that the septic tanks and/or seepage pits be pumped and filled in with a clean fill such as dirt and stone. The existing drain-field would be disconnected and left in place. No environmental hazard is recognized by leaving the components in-ground. This Department cannot give estimates of cost which would consist of a back-hoe operator and required loads of clean fill as well as the pumping of the system.

This work is usually done when the hired contractor is in the process of connecting the house to public sewer. Estimates for the cost of abandonment can be received by the contractor who will install the public sewer connection. If the residents of Doylestown Twp have any questions on this matter please call me at (215) 340-8449.

Sincerely

Brendan O’Boyle
Bucks County Health Department