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Wakefield Board of Health
5 Common Street
Wakefield, MA 01880

Dear Wakefield Board of Health,

The Massachusetts Tobacco Cessation and Prevention Program (MTCP) recently conducted a tobacco retail inspection/compliance check as a part of the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) contract with Massachusetts.

After the retail inspection/compliance check was completed in your community, MTCP submitted the results to the FDA. The FDA determined that the following vendor(s) had a violation(s) of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act:

Towne News & Smoke Shop	231 North Avenue
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This vendor(s) has received a warning letter(s) from the FDA for this violation(s). The inspection results are posted on the FDA website:

[Tobacco Compliance Check Outcomes \(fda.gov\)](https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/tobacco-compliance-check-outcomes)

This letter is to inform you of the violation. No action on your part is necessary. There is free, anonymous, online training available for retail store owners, managers and clerks about the sale of retail tobacco products. This training is available in both English and Spanish. You can help to promote this training to your retailers by sending them an informational postcard. This postcard can be ordered through the Clearinghouse:

<https://massclearinghouse.ehs.state.ma.us/product/BH3200.html> The link for the training is: <https://mhoa.com/project/mhoa-tobacco-control-program/>

If you have questions, please contact me at 413-636-6418 or at smccolgan@mhoa.com

Yours truly,

/s/ Sarah McColgan

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