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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

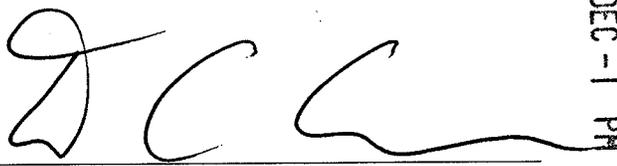
Pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30A, and to the authority granted to the Director of the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation pursuant to M.G.L. c. 93H, the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation will hold a public hearing in connection with the promulgation of amendments to 201 CMR 17.00 that extend the date for compliance with the provisions of those regulations as originally promulgated. These amended regulations were previously promulgated as emergency regulations on November 14, 2008. The public hearing will commence at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 16, 2009, in Room No. 5-6, Second Floor of the Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts 02116.

The purpose of the public hearing is to afford interested parties an opportunity to provide oral or written testimony regarding the aforementioned amendments to *201 CMR 17.00, Standards for the Protection of Personal Information of Residents of the Commonwealth*. Those amendments extend to January 1, 2010 the compliance date for obtaining a certification from third party service providers pursuant to 201 CMR 17.03(f), and for encrypting portable devices other than laptops pursuant to 201 CMR 17.04(5), and extend to May 1, 2009 the compliance date with respect to all other provisions of 201 CMR 17.00.

Interested parties will be afforded a reasonable opportunity at the hearing to present oral or written testimony. Written comments will be accepted up to the close of business on Wednesday, January 21, 2009. Such written comments may be mailed to: Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation, 10 Park Plaza, Suite 5170, Boston, MA, 02116, Attention: David A. Murray, General Counsel, or e-mailed to [David.Murray@state.ma.us](mailto:David.Murray@state.ma.us).

Copies of the proposed regulation may be obtained from the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation website [www.mass.gov/oca](http://www.mass.gov/oca) ; or by calling (617) 973-8700.

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