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NOTICE OF DATA BREACH

<Date>

Please read this entire letter.

Dear << first\_name>> << last\_name>>,

We are writing to inform you of a recent security incident at Everwise Credit Union. While no one has been impacted we are providing this notice to make you aware and so you can take measures to protect your personal information.

### What happened?

Everwise Credit Union (hereinafter "Everwise") recently learned of a security incident that occurred earlier this year when one of its vendors erroneously sent Everwise customer data to a different credit union. Everwise discovered the incident on March 6, 2025, and immediately contacted the recipient of the errant information to ensure that it was deleted prior to being accessed. The unauthorized recipient confirmed it did not access the data and confirmed deletion.

Our investigation determined that sensitive data was involved despite the fact that it was sent securely and deleted before being accessed, necessitating this notice to you. We believe there is no increased risk to your data as a result of this event.

Since the discovery of the security incident Everwise and its partners have been working diligently to identify and obtain sufficient information to provide you with this notice.

#### What Information Was Involved?

The information involved may have included your name, address, SSN, or other contact information.

# What We Are Doing.

Please be assured that we have taken every step necessary to address the incident. We take our obligation to safeguard the information we receive seriously. Once the incident was discovered, we quickly took action to minimize risks, including initiating an investigation into the unauthorized acquisition and ensuring that no copies of the sensitive information were accessed. We remain vigilant, continuously upgrading our already robust security measures to carefully safeguard against similar incidents.

### What You Can Do.

Although we have no indication at this time of any misuse or potential misuse of your information, we have engaged the services of Privacy Solutions to provide complimentary identity monitoring for <<12\_24>> months at no charge. To enroll in the credit monitoring services at no charge, please visit <a href="https://www.privacysolutions.com">www.privacysolutions.com</a> and enter the following activation code, <<Activation Code>>, to activate your membership and start monitoring your personal information. Please note the deadline to enroll is September 19, 2025. Privacy Solutions provides credit monitoring through Equifax, credit report and score access, \$1 million identity theft insurance with \$0 deductible, Identity Restoration services, and dark web monitoring.

We also recommend you review your credit reports and account statements over the next 12 to 24 months and notify your financial institution of any unauthorized transactions or incidents of suspected identity theft. If you have questions about these services please examine the Reference Guide at the end of this letter.

### For More Information.

We sincerely regret any inconvenience or concern caused by this incident. If you have any questions about this incident, please contact 877-423-1519, Monday – Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time, excluding major U.S. holidays.

While call center representatives should be able to provide thorough assistance and answer most of your questions, you may still feel the need to speak with Everwise regarding this incident. If so, please contact (800) 552-4745 or go to everwisecu.com and select "Contact Us."

Sincerely,

**Everwise Credit Union** 

#### REFERENCE GUIDE

### **Review Your Account Statements**

Carefully review statements sent to you from your healthcare providers, insurance company, and financial institutions to ensure that all of your account activity is valid. Report any questionable charges promptly to the provider or company with which you maintain the account.

## **Order Your Free Credit Report**

To order your free annual credit report, visit <a href="www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a>, call toll-free at (877) 322-8228, or complete the Annual Credit Report Request Form on the U.S. Federal Trade Commission's ("FTC") website at <a href="www.ftc.gov">www.ftc.gov</a> and mail it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 303485281. The three credit bureaus provide free annual credit reports only through the website, toll-free number or request form.

Upon receiving your credit report, review it carefully. Look for accounts you did not open. Look in the "inquiries" section for names of creditors from whom you have not requested credit. Some companies bill under names other than their store or commercial names; the credit bureau will be able to tell if this is the case. Look in the "personal information" section for any inaccuracies in information (such as home address and Social Security Number).

If you see anything you do not understand, call the credit bureau at the telephone number on the report. Errors may be a warning sign of possible identity theft. You should notify the credit bureaus of any inaccuracies in your report, whether due to error or fraud, as soon as possible so the information can be investigated and, if found to be in error, corrected. If there are accounts or charges you did not authorize, immediately notify the appropriate credit bureau by telephone and in writing. Information that cannot be explained should also be reported to your local police or sheriff's office because it may signal criminal activity.

### Contact the U.S. Federal Trade Commission

If you detect any unauthorized transactions in any of your financial accounts, promptly notify the appropriate payment card company or financial institution. If you detect any incidents of identity theft or fraud, promptly report the matter to your local law enforcement authorities, state Attorney General and the FTC.

You can contact the FTC to learn more about how to protect yourself from becoming a victim of identity theft by using the following contact information: Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580; 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338); www.ftc.gov/idtheft/.

### Place a Fraud Alert on Your Credit File

To protect yourself from possible identity theft, consider placing a fraud alert on your credit file. A fraud alert helps protect against the possibility of an identity thief opening new credit accounts in your name. When a credit grantor checks the credit history of someone applying for credit, the credit grantor gets a notice that the applicant may be the victim of identity theft. The alert notifies the credit grantor to take steps to verify the identity of the applicant. You can place a fraud alert on your credit report by calling any one of the toll-free fraud numbers provided below. You will reach an automated telephone system that allows flagging of your file with a fraud alert at all three credit bureaus.

Equifax	P.O. Box 105069	1-888-766-0008	www.equifax.com
	Atlanta, GA 30348		
г :	P.O. Box 9554	1 000 207 2742	
Experian	Allen, TX 75013	1-888-397-3742	www.experian.com
TransUnion	P.O. Box 2000	1-800-680-7289	www.transunion.com
	Chester, PA 19016		

# **Security Freezes**

You have the right to request a credit freeze from a consumer reporting agency, free of charge, so that no new credit can be opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate a freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential credit grantors from accessing your credit report without your consent. If you place a security freeze, potential creditors and other third parties will not be able to get access to your credit report unless you temporarily lift the freeze. Therefore, using a security freeze may delay your ability to obtain credit.

Unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a security freeze on your credit file at each credit bureau. To place a security freeze on your credit report you must contact the credit reporting agency by phone, mail, or secure electronic means and provide proper identification of your identity. The following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a security freeze for your spouse, this information must be provided for him/her as well): (1) full name, with middle initial and any suffixes; (2) Social Security number; (3) date of birth; (4) current address and any previous addresses for the past five years; and (5) any applicable incident report or complaint with a law enforcement agency or the Registry of Motor Vehicles. The request must also include a copy of a government-issued identification card and a copy of a recent utility bill or bank or insurance statement. It is essential that each copy be legible, display your name and current mailing address, and the date of issue.

Below, please find relevant contact information for the three consumer reporting agencies:

Equifax Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 1-800-685-1111 www.equifax.com

Atlanta, GA 30348

Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 1-888-397-3742 www.experian.com

Allen, TX 75013 P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094

TransUnion

1-888-909-8872 <u>www.transunion.com</u>

Once you have submitted your request, the credit reporting agency must place the security freeze no later than 1 business day after receiving a request by phone or secure electronic means, and no later than 3 business days after receiving a request by mail. No later than five business days after placing the security freeze, the credit reporting agency will send you confirmation and information on how you can remove the freeze in the future.

### Provide Any Updated Personal Information to Your Health Care Provider

Your health care provider's office may ask to see a photo ID to verify your identity. Please bring a photo ID with you to every appointment if possible. Your provider's office may also ask you to confirm your date of birth, address, telephone, and other pertinent information so that they can make sure that all of your information is up to date. Please be sure and tell your provider's office when there are any changes to your information. Carefully reviewing this information with your provider's office at each visit can help to avoid problems and to address them quickly should there be any discrepancies.

## **Additional Information**

Colorado, Georgia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, and Vermont residents: You may obtain one or more (depending on the state) additional copies of your credit report, free of charge. You must contact each of the credit reporting agencies directly to obtain such additional report(s).

<u>California Residents:</u> Visit the California Office of Privacy Protection (<u>www.oag.ca.gov/privacy</u>) for additional information on protection against identity theft.

<u>District of Columbia:</u> Contact the District of Columbia Office of Attorney General for steps to avoid identity theft: (202) 727-3400, 400 6th Street, NW, Washington DC 20001, http://oag.dc.gov.

<u>Kentucky Residents:</u> Office of the Attorney General of Kentucky, 700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 118 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, www.ag.ky.gov, Telephone: 1-502-696-5300.

<u>Maryland Residents:</u> Maryland Attorney General: 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202; 1-410-576-6300 or 1-888-743-0023; and <a href="https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/">https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/</a>.

Massachusetts Residents: You have the right to obtain a police report and request a free security freeze as described above.

<u>New York Residents:</u> You can obtain information from the New York State Office of the Attorney General about how to protect yourself from identity theft and tips on how to protect your privacy online. You can contact the New York State Attorney General at: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755 or 1-800-7889898; https://ag.ny.gov/. You also may contact the Bureau of Internet and Technology (BIT), 28 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10005; 212-416-8433; https://ag.ny.gov/about/about-office/economic-justice-division#internet-technology.

<u>North Carolina Residents:</u> You can obtain information from the North Carolina Attorney General's Office about preventing identity theft. You can contact the North Carolina Attorney General at: 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001; 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6400; www.ncdoj.gov.

<u>Oregon Residents:</u> We encourage you to report suspected identity theft to the Oregon Attorney General at: Oregon Department of Justice, 1162 Court Street NE, Salem, OR 97301-4096; 1-877-877-9392 or 1-503-378-4400; <a href="www.doj.state.or.us">www.doj.state.or.us</a>.

**Rhode Island Residents:** Office of the Attorney General, 150 South Main Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, <a href="www.riag.ri.gov">www.riag.ri.gov</a>, <a href="Telephone: 401-274-4400">Telephone: 401-274-4400</a>.

<u>South Carolina Residents:</u> You can obtain information from the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs: 293 Greystone Blvd., Ste. 400, Columbia, SC 29210; 800-922-1594; www.consumer.sc.gov.

<u>Texas Residents:</u> You can obtain information from the Texas Attorney General can be reached at: 300 W. 15th Street, Austin, Texas 78701; 800-621-0508; <a href="https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/consumer-protection/">www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/consumer-protection/</a>.

<u>Vermont Residents:</u> If you do not have internet access but would like to learn more about how to place a security freeze on your credit report, contact the Vermont Attorney General's Office at 802-656-3183 (800-649-2424 toll free in Vermont only).

New Mexico: You have rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act. These rights include knowing what is in your file and your credit score; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; to be told if information in your credit file has been used against you; as well as other rights. Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have specific additional rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act. For more information about the FCRA, and your rights pursuant to the FCA, please visit <a href="https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf">https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\_cfpb\_summary\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf</a>, or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 2058