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Continental Properties Company, Inc. C/O ID Experts 10300 SW Greenburg Rd. Suite 570 Portland, OR, 97223 To Enroll, Please Call: 1-800-939-4170 Or Visit: <u>https://app.myidcare.com/accountcreation/protect</u> Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXX>>

<<First Name>> <<Last Name>> <<Address1>> <<Address2>> <<City>>, <<State>> <<Zip>>

May 20, 2019

Dear <</First Name>> <</Last Name>>,

Continental Properties Company, Inc. (the "Company"), manager of Springs Apartments, recently discovered a data security incident that may have affected some Company files. The Company took immediate action upon discovery, and at this time, there is no evidence to suggest that there has been any attempt to misuse any personal information of our residents, prospective residents or employees. However, we wanted to send this advisory so that you can take steps to protect yourself and minimize the possibility of misuse of your information.

Under Massachusetts law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. If you are the victim of identity theft, you also have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it. Massachusetts law also allows consumers to place a security freeze, free of charge, on their credit reports. A security freeze prohibits a credit reporting agency from releasing any information from a consumer's credit report without written authorization. However, please be aware that placing a security freeze on your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prevent the timely approval of any requests you make for new loans, credit mortgages, employment, housing or other services. Additional information about security freezes is attached.

To help prevent something like this from happening in the future, we are implementing additional security, detection and prevention measures and revising our security awareness training for employees. In addition, we are offering identity theft protection services through ID Experts®, the data breach and recovery services expert, to provide you with MyIDCareTM. MyIDCare services include: 24 months of credit and CyberScan monitoring, a \$1,000,000 insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed ID theft recovery services. With this protection, MyIDCare will help you resolve issues if your identity is compromised. We encourage you to contact ID Experts with any questions and to enroll in free MyIDCare services by calling 1-800-939-4170 or going to https://app.myidcare.com/account-creation/protect and using the Enrollment Code provide above. MyIDCare experts are available Monday through Friday from 6 am - 5 pm Pacific Time. Please note the deadline to enroll is August 20, 2019.

MyIDCare representatives have been fully versed on the incident and can answer questions or concerns you may have regarding protection of your personal information. You will find detailed instructions for enrollment on the enclosed document. Also, you will need to reference the enrollment code at the top of this letter when calling or enrolling online, so please do not discard this letter. Please call 1-800-939-4170 or go to <u>https://app.myidcare.com/account-creation/protect</u> for assistance or for any additional questions you may have. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you and assure you that we will continue to deploy measures to avoid these kinds of incidents from happening in the future.

Sincerely,

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Paul R. Seifert Executive Vice President of Operations and Chief Legal Officer Continental Properties Company, Inc.

(Enclosure)



Recommended Steps to Help Protect your Information

1. Website and Enrollment. Go to <u>https://app.myidcare.com/account-creation/protect</u> and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code provided at the top of the letter.

2. Activate the credit monitoring provided as part of your MyIDCare membership. The monitoring included in the membership must be activated to be effective. Note: You must have established credit and access to a computer and the internet to use this service. If you need assistance, MyIDCare will be able to assist you.

3. Telephone. Contact MyIDCare at 1-800-939-4170 to gain additional information about this event and speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

4. Review your credit reports. We recommend that you remain vigilant by reviewing account statements and monitoring credit reports. Under federal law, you also are entitled every 12 months to one free copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting companies. To obtain a free annual credit report, go to <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u> or call 1-877-322-8228. You may wish to stagger your requests so that you receive a free report by one of the three credit bureaus every four months.

If you discover any suspicious items and have enrolled in MyIDCare, notify them immediately by calling or by logging into the MyIDCare website and filing a request for help.

If you file a request for help or report suspicious activity, you will be contacted by a member of our ID Care team who will help you determine the cause of the suspicious items. In the unlikely event that you fall victim to identity theft as a consequence of this incident, you will be assigned an ID Care Specialist who will work on your behalf to identify, stop and reverse the damage quickly.

You should also know that you have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity fraud. Please note that in order to file a crime report or incident report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some kind of proof that you have been a victim. A police report is often required to dispute fraudulent items. You can report suspected incidents of identity theft to local law enforcement or to the Attorney General.

5. Place Fraud Alerts with the three credit bureaus. If you choose to place a fraud alert, we recommend you do this after activating your credit monitoring. You can place a fraud alert at one of the three major credit bureaus by phone and also via Experian's or Equifax's website. A fraud alert tells creditors to follow certain procedures, including contacting you, before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. For that reason, placing a fraud alert can protect you, but also may delay you when you seek to obtain credit. The contact information for all three bureaus is as follows:

Credit Bureaus

Equifax Fraud Reporting	Experian Fraud Reporting	TransUnion Fraud Reporting
1-866-349-5191	1-888-397-3742	1-800-680-7289
P.O. Box 105069	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 2000
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19022-2000
www.alerts.equifax.com	www.experian.com	www.transunion.com

It is necessary to contact only ONE of these bureaus and use only ONE of these methods. As soon as one of the three bureaus confirms your fraud alert, the others are notified to place alerts on their records as well. You will receive confirmation letters in the mail and will then be able to order all three credit reports, free of charge, for your review. An initial fraud alert will last for one year.

Please Note: No one is allowed to place a fraud alert on your credit report except you.

6. Security Freeze. By placing a security freeze, someone who fraudulently acquires your personal identifying information will not be able to use that information to open new accounts or borrow money in your name. You will need to contact the three national credit reporting bureaus listed above to place the freeze. Keep in mind that when you place the freeze, you will not be able to borrow money, obtain instant credit, or get a new credit card until you temporarily lift or permanently remove the freeze. There is no cost to freeze or unfreeze your credit files.

7. You can obtain additional information about the steps you can take to avoid identity theft from the following agencies. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. Identity Theft Clearinghouse, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20580, <u>www.consumer.gov/idtheft</u>, 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338), TTY: 1-866-653-4261.