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## **Notice of Data Security Incident**

Dear <<Name>>:

We are writing to notify you of a data security incident experienced by Perceptics, LLC ("Perceptics") that may have impacted your personal information, including your Social Security number, Human Resources information, and benefits information. We value and respect the privacy of your information, and sincerely apologize for any concern or inconvenience this may cause you. This letter contains information about steps you can take to protect your information, and resources we are making available to help you.

We are offering identity theft protection services through Experian Data Breach Resolution. You should have already received a code to enroll in this service.

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 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.

If you have been a victim of identity theft, and you provide the credit reporting agency with a valid police report, the agency cannot charge you to place, lift or remove a security freeze. Effective September 21, 2018, placing a freeze on your credit report is now free for all United States citizens. To place a security freeze on your credit report, you must send a written request to each of the three major consumer reporting agencies: Equifax (www.equifax.com); Experian (www.experian.com) and TransUnion (www.transunion.com) by regular, certified or overnight mail at the addresses below:

Equifax Security Freeze U.S. Consumer Services P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 TransUnion Security Freeze Fraud Victim Assistance Department P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19022

To place a security freeze on your credit report, each credit reporting agency has a dedicated web page for security freezes and fraud alerts or you can request a freeze by phone or by mail. The following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a credit report 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 may also require 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.

The credit reporting agencies have three (3) business days after receiving your request to place a security freeze on your credit report. The credit bureaus must also send written confirmation to you within five (5) business days and provide you with a unique personal identification number (PIN) or password, or both that can be used by you to authorize the removal or lifting of the security freeze.

To lift the security freeze in order to allow a specific entity or individual access to your credit report, you must call or send a written request to the credit reporting agencies by mail and include proper identification (name, address, and social security number) and the PIN or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze as well as the

[Type text] MA identities of those entities or individuals you would like to receive your credit report or the specific period of time you want the credit report available. The credit reporting agencies have three (3) business days after receiving your request to lift the security freeze for those identified entities or for the specified period of time.

To remove the security freeze, you must send a written request to each of the three credit bureaus by mail and include proper identification (name, address, and social security number) and the PIN or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze. The credit reporting agencies have three (3) business days after receiving your request to remove the security freeze.

We also want to let you know that we are taking steps to prevent this type of incident from occurring in the future. We have already implemented measures to enhance the security of our systems and added additional security and monitoring software. Additionally, while a digital forensic investigation is ongoing, we are working closely with the investigators and other security professionals to identify and implement additional security measures.

## For more information:

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to Amy Hudson, 865-671-9305. Your trust is a top priority for Perceptics, and we deeply regret any inconvenience or concern that this matter may cause you.

Sincerely,

Amy Hudson SVP of Finance and Administration