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NOTICE OF SECURITY INCIDENT

Dear <<first_name>> <<middle_name>> <<last_name>> <<suffix>>,

We at Timberland Investment Resources, LLC ("Timberland") are writing to inform you of an incident which may have involved some of your personal information. We take the privacy and security of your personal information seriously and want you to understand what we are doing to address this issue and what steps you can take to help protect against potential identity theft. This letter offers you assistance in protecting against potential identity theft.

What Information Was Involved

The personal information that may have been accessed included your <<b2b_text_2 (Impacted Data)>>.

What We Are Doing

Timberland promptly took measures to enhance information security and conducted its own forensic investigation and engaged a third party forensic expert to investigate the incident. Timberland remains vigilant for similar types of incidents.

We have also secured the services of Kroll to provide identity monitoring at no cost to you for two (2) years. Your identity monitoring services include Credit Monitoring, Fraud Consultation, and Identity Theft Restoration.

Visit [https://\[IDMonitoringURL\]](https://[IDMonitoringURL]) to activate and take advantage of your identity monitoring services.

You have until [Date] to activate your identity monitoring services.

Membership Number: <<Member ID>>

Additional information describing your services is included in the Reference Guide attached to this letter.

What You Can Do

We recommend that you take some simple and no-cost steps to help protect against the possibility of identity theft. We encourage you to be vigilant with respect to carefully reviewing any financial statements and your credit reports. You should promptly report any suspicious activity or suspected identity theft to us and to proper law enforcement authorities, including your local law enforcement agency or your state's attorney general.

We are also providing additional information in the attached Reference Guide about steps you can take to monitor and protect against unauthorized use of your personal information.

For More Information

We regret that this incident occurred. The security of your personal information is important to us and is one of our highest priorities. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us directly at 1-???-???-???, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Central Time. Please have your membership number ready.

Sincerely,

Timberland Investment Resources, LLC

Reference Guide

Order Your Free Credit Report

To order your free annual credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport.com, 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 www.ftc.gov and mail it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281. The three credit bureaus (Equifax, Experian and TransUnion) provide free annual credit reports only through the website, toll-free number or request form.

Upon receiving your credit report, review it carefully. Errors may be a warning sign of possible identity theft. Here are a few tips of what to look for:

- 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 incidence 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 contact information below:

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, you have the right to place a fraud alert on your credit file for one year at no cost. 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 applicant's identity. You can place a fraud alert on your credit report by calling any 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 740241
Atlanta, GA 30348
800-525-6285
www.equifax.com

Experian

P.O. Box 2002
Allen, TX 75013
888-397-3742
www.experian.com

TransUnion

P.O. Box 2000
Chester, PA 19016
800-680-7289
www.transunion.com

Security Freezes

You have the right to put a security freeze, also known as a credit freeze, on your credit file 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 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 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 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
Atlanta, GA 30348
888-298-0045
www.equifax.com

Experian Security Freeze

P.O. Box 9554
Allen, TX 75013
888-397-3742
www.experian.com

TransUnion

P.O. Box 2000
Chester, PA 19016
888-909-8872
www.transunion.com

Once you have submitted your request, the credit reporting agency must place the security freeze no later than one (1) business day after receiving a request by phone or secure electronic means, and no later than three (3) business days after receiving a request by mail. No later than five (5) 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.

Right to Obtain a Police Report

You have the right to obtain a police report with respect 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.

Take Advantage of Your Identity Monitoring Services

You've been provided with access to the following services from Kroll:

Triple Bureau Credit Monitoring

You will receive alerts when there are changes to your credit data at any of the three national credit bureaus—for instance, when a new line of credit is applied for in your name. If you do not recognize the activity, you'll have the option to call a Kroll fraud specialist, who can help you determine if it's an indicator of identity theft.

Fraud Consultation

You have unlimited access to consultation with a Kroll fraud specialist. Support includes showing you the most effective ways to protect your identity, explaining your rights and protections under the law, assistance with fraud alerts, and interpreting how personal information is accessed and used, including investigating suspicious activity that could be tied to an identity theft event.

Identity Theft Restoration

If you become a victim of identity theft, an experienced Kroll licensed investigator will work on your behalf to resolve related issues. You will have access to a dedicated investigator who understands your issues and can do most of the work for you. Your investigator can dig deep to uncover the scope of identity theft, and then work to resolve it.