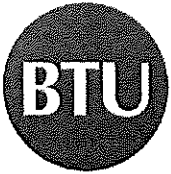


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**Re: Notice of Data Breach**

Dear <<Name 1>>:

BTU International, Inc. ("BTU") is writing to notify you of a recent incident that may have resulted in unauthorized access to your personal information maintained by BTU. We maintained your personal information as an employee of BTU, or as a beneficiary of a BTU employee. This letter provides you with information on the steps BTU has taken to further guard against the potential misappropriation of your data and steps you can take to remain vigilant in monitoring your data.

**What Happened?**

On April 12, 2021, BTU detected a data incident which affected its technology systems. Upon learning of the incident, we immediately engaged external counsel and retained a team of third-party forensic, incident response, and security professionals to investigate and determine the full scope of this incident. Our investigation of the data incident is ongoing, and we are in the process of determining what data was affected and the individuals who require notice.

**What Information was Involved?**

BTU is in the process of reviewing this incident; however, so far BTU has identified some affected personal information about current employees of BTU and some of their beneficiaries. This personal information included first name, last name, postal address, date of birth, Social Security Number, employment position and compensation information.

**What are We Doing?**

We are offering you a two-year membership in a three-bureau credit monitoring service provided by Experian, at no cost to you. This product helps detect possible misuse of your personal information and provides you with identity protection services focused on immediate identification and resolution of identity theft. We take the security of your personal information seriously, and we worked alongside our security professionals to safely bring BTU's systems online with enhanced security controls. We also have deployed an advanced next generation

anti-virus and endpoint detection and response tool, as well as Managed Detection & Response services. In addition, we have notified law enforcement officials of this incident.

Please know that we remain committed to protecting the personal information of our employees and their family members or beneficiaries.

**What Can You Do?**

If you would like to enroll in credit monitoring services, please follow the instructions in the following section titled *Activating Your Complimentary Credit Monitoring*. We cannot register you for credit monitoring directly. This service is completely free to you and enrolling in this program will not hurt your credit score. In addition, please continue to be vigilant about the security of your online or financial accounts and monitor your credit reports for unauthorized activities. Please report any suspicious activities to appropriate law enforcement.

**For More Information**

Again, we take the security of your information in our care very seriously, and we regret any concern or inconvenience this incident may cause you. Please review the enclosed attachment called *Preventing Identity Theft and Fraud* for more information on ways to protect against the potential misuse of your information. If you have additional questions, please contact 855-535-1809 Monday through Friday, 9am to 9pm Eastern Time (excluding US holidays).

Sincerely,

BTU International, Inc.

## ACTIVATING YOUR COMPLIMENTARY CREDIT MONITORING

We have arranged for you to enroll, at no cost to you, in an online three-bureau credit monitoring service for two years provided by Experian. Privacy laws do not allow us to register you for credit monitoring directly. To enroll in this service, please follow the steps below:

- Ensure that you **Enroll by:** <<Deadline>> (Your code will not work after this date.)
- **Visit** the Experian IdentityWorks website to enroll: <https://www.experianidworks.com/3bcredit>
- Provide your **Activation Code:** <<Activation Code>>

If you have questions about the product, need assistance with identity restoration or would like an alternative to enrolling in Experian IdentityWorks online, please contact Experian's customer care team at 877-288-8057 by <<Deadline>>. Be prepared to provide engagement number <<Engagement Number>> as proof of eligibility for the identity restoration services by Experian.

A credit card is **not** required for enrollment in Experian IdentityWorks.

You can contact Experian **immediately** regarding any fraud issues, and have access to the following features once you enroll in Experian IdentityWorks:

- **Experian credit report at signup:** See what information is associated with your credit file. Daily credit reports are available for online members only.\*
- **Credit Monitoring:** Actively monitors Experian, Equifax and Transunion files for indicators of fraud.
- **Experian IdentityWorks ExtendCARE™:** You receive the same high-level of Identity Restoration support even after your Experian IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- **\$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance\*\*:** Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers.

**Activate your membership today at <https://www.experianidworks.com/3bcredit>  
or call 877-288-8057 to register with the activation code above.**

**What you can do to protect your information:** There are additional actions you can consider taking to reduce the chances of identity theft or fraud on your account(s). Please refer to [www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration](http://www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration) for this information. If you have any questions about IdentityWorks, need help understanding something on your credit report or suspect that an item on your credit report may be fraudulent, please contact Experian's customer care team at 877-288-8057.

\* Offline members will be eligible to call for additional reports quarterly after enrolling.

\*\* Identity theft insurance is underwritten by insurance company subsidiaries or affiliates of American International Group, Inc. (AIG). The description herein is a summary and intended for informational purposes only and does not include all terms, conditions and exclusions of the policies described. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.

## PREVENTING IDENTITY THEFT AND FRAUD

We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud, to review your account statements, and to monitor your credit reports for suspicious activity. Immediately report any suspicious activity to your bank or credit union. If you do find suspicious activity on your credit reports or other statements, call your local police or sheriff's office or state Attorney General and file a report of identity theft. You have a right to a copy of the police report, and you may need to give copies of the police report to creditors to clear up your records and also to access some services that are free to identity theft victims.

Under the U.S. Fair Credit Reporting Act and other laws, you have certain rights that can help protect yourself from identity theft. Many of these are explained in this document and at [www.identitytheft.gov/](http://www.identitytheft.gov/) Know-Your-Rights. For example, you are entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus. To order your free credit report, visit [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or call toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also contact the three major credit bureaus directly to request a free copy of your credit report.

At no charge, you can have these credit bureaus place a short-term or an extended "fraud alert" on your file that alerts creditors to take additional steps to verify your identity prior to granting credit in your name. Note, however, that because it tells creditors to follow certain procedures to protect you, it may also delay your ability to obtain credit while the agency verifies your identity. As soon as one credit bureau confirms your fraud alert, the others are notified to place fraud alerts on your file. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, or should you have any questions regarding your credit report, please contact any one of the agencies listed below.

General contact information for each agency:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
P.O. Box 105069	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 2000
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016-2000
(800) 525-6285	888-397-3742	800-680-7289
<a href="http://www.equifax.com">www.equifax.com</a>	<a href="http://www.experian.com">www.experian.com</a>	<a href="http://www.transunion.com">www.transunion.com</a>

To add a fraud alert:

Equifax (888) 202-4025, Option 6 or <https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/credit-fraud-alerts/>

Experian (714) 830-7000, Option 2 or <https://www.experian.com/fraud/center.html>

TransUnion (800) 916-8800, Option 0 or <https://www.transunion.com/fraud-alerts>

You may also place a security freeze on your credit reports, free of charge. A security freeze, also known as a "credit freeze," prohibits a credit bureau from releasing any information from a consumer's credit report without the consumer's written authorization. However, please be advised 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. But unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a security freeze on your credit file at **each** bureau. You can use the following addresses and contact information to place a security freeze with each major credit bureau:

**Equifax Security Freeze.** 1-800-685-1111. P.O. Box 1057881, Atlanta, GA 30348-0241.  
[www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/credit-freeze/](http://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/credit-freeze/);

**Experian Security Freeze.** 1-888-EXPERIAN or 1-888-397-3742. P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013.  
[www.experian.com/freeze/center.html](http://www.experian.com/freeze/center.html); or

**TransUnion.** 1-800-680-7289. Fraud Victim Assistance Division, P.O. Box 2000, Chester, PA 19022-2000.  
[www.transunion.com/credit-freeze](http://www.transunion.com/credit-freeze)

The Federal Trade Commission also provides additional information about credit freezes here:  
<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0497-credit-freeze-faqs>.

In order to request a security freeze, you may need to supply your full name (including middle initial, as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.), date of birth, Social Security number, all addresses for up to five previous years, email address, a copy of your state identification card or driver's license, and a copy of a utility bill, bank or insurance statement, or other statement to show proof of your current address. If you are a victim of identity theft, include a copy of the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning your identity theft.

The credit reporting agencies must place a security freeze on your credit report within one (1) business day after receiving a request by phone or secure electronic means, and within (3) business days after receiving your request by mail. The credit bureaus must then send written confirmation to you within five (5) business days of placing the security freeze, along with information about how to remove or lift the security freeze in the future.

You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, freezes, and the steps you can take to protect yourself by contacting the Federal Trade Commission or your state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission encourages those who discover their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should be reported to law enforcement or your state Attorney General as well.

The Federal Trade Commission can be reached at:

Federal Trade Commission  
Consumer Resource Center  
600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20580  
1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338)  
TTY: 1-866-653-4261  
[www.identitytheft.gov](http://www.identitytheft.gov) or [www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov)

#### **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

You may also file a report with your local police or the police in the community where the identity theft took place. Further, you are entitled to request a copy of your police report filed in this matter.

**For Massachusetts 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 bureaus directly to obtain such additional report(s).