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P.O. Box 82522 Lincoln, NE 68501-2522

February 22, 2022

Important Information Enclosed

Dear

We are writing to notify you that a document containing your personal information, including your name, address, and last four numbers of your social security number, was inadvertently disclosed electronically to another customer on January 26, 2022.

We deeply regret this incident occurred and take the security of personal information very seriously. This was a system error, and Firstmark Services removed the data as of January 31, 2022.

We do not believe your information will be used inappropriately; however, there are recommended steps all consumers should consider taking to monitor their credit and protect their identity. It is always important to examine your monthly statements, watch for and report any suspicious account activity, and periodically obtain credit reports from each of the nationwide consumer reporting agencies. You can request a free credit report from one or all of the organizations listed below.

Under Massachusetts law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. If you are a victim of identity theft, you also have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it.

You may also place a security freeze on your credit reports, free of charge. 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. Under federal law, you cannot be charged to place, lift, or remove a security freeze.

You must place your request for a freeze with each of the three major consumer reporting agencies: Equifax (<u>www.equifax.com</u>); Experian (<u>www.Experian.com</u>); and TransUnion (<u>www.transunion.com</u>). To place a security freeze on your credit report, you may send a written request by regular, certified or overnight mail at the addresses below. You may also place a security freeze through each of the consumer reporting agencies' websites or over the phone, using the contact information below:



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Equifax Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 303048 1-800-349-9960 https://www.equifax.com/per sonal/cerdit-report-services/ Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 1-888-397-3742 <u>https://www.experian.com/fre</u> <u>eze/center.html</u> TransUnion Security Freeze P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094 1-888-909-8872 https://www.transunion.com/ credit-freeze

In order to request a security freeze, you will need to provide some or all of the following information to the credit reporting agency, depending on whether you do so online, by phone, or by mail:

- 1. Your full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.)
- 2. Social Security Number
- 3. Date of birth
- 4. If you have moved in the past five (5) years, the addresses where you have lived over the prior five years
- 5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility bill, telephone bill, rental agreement, or deed
- 6. A legible photocopy of a government issued identification card (state driver's license or ID card, military identification, etc.)
- 7. Social Security Card, pay stub, or W2
- 8. If you are a victim of identity theft, include a copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft

The credit reporting agencies have one (1) to three (3) business days after receiving your request to place a security freeze on your credit report, based upon the method of your request. 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. It is important to maintain this PIN/password in a secure place, as you will need it to life or remove the security freeze.

To lift the security freeze in order to allow a specific entity or individual access to your credit report, you must make a request to each of the credit reporting agencies by mail, through their website, or by phone (using the contact information above). You must provide proper identification (including name, address, and social security number) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze, as well as the identities of those entities or individuals you would like to receive your credit report. You may also temporarily lift a security freeze for a specific period of time rather than for a specific entity or individual, using the same contact information above. The credit bureaus have between one (1) hour (for requests made online) and three (3) business days (for requests made by mail) after receiving your request to lift the security freeze for those identified entities or for the specified period of time.



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To remove the security freeze, you must make a request to each of the credit reporting agencies by mail, through their website, or by phone (using the contact information above). You must provide proper identification (name, address, and a social security number) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze. The credit bureaus have between one (1) hour (for requests made online) and three (3) business days (for requests made by mail) after receiving your request to remove the security freeze.

If you should have any further questions, please contact Firstmark Services at 833.531.1307, from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. (Central), Monday – Friday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Central) on Saturday. You can also email us at <u>Customer.Service@FirstmarkServices.com</u>, or visit our website at <u>FirstmarkServices.com</u>. Please be assured Firstmark Services remains committed to providing you with exceptional customer service. We apologize for the inconvenience this may have caused.

Sincerely,

Sarah M. Firstmark Services