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April 8, 2022

NOTICE OF SECURITY INCIDENT

Dear

Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation ("RIRRC") writes to make you aware of a recent incident that may impact the privacy of your information. RIRRC is providing you with notice of the incident, steps we have taken in response, and resources available to help you better protect your information, should you feel it appropriate to do so. **RIRRC has not received any indication that your information was accessed or acquired but is providing this notice in an abundance of caution.**

We treat our responsibility to safeguard the information entrusted to us as an utmost priority. As such, we responded immediately to this incident and have been working diligently to provide you with an accurate and complete notice of the incident. Our immediate response to this event also included prompt correspondence with state and federal law enforcement authorities. As part of our ongoing commitment to the privacy and security of information in our care, we have reviewed our existing policies and procedures and implemented enhanced security controls on our systems. We will continue to evaluate additional security measures to mitigate any potential risk associated with this incident and to better prevent similar incidents in the future.

As an added precaution, we are providing you with 24 months of complimentary access to credit monitoring and identity restoration services through Cyberscout, a TransUnion company, as well as guidance on how to better protect your information. Although we are covering the cost of these services, due to privacy restrictions, you will need to complete the activation process yourself using the enrollment instructions included below.

To enroll in Credit Monitoring* services at no charge, please log on to <u>https://www.myidmanager.com</u> and follow the instructions provided. When prompted please provide the following unique code to receive services: **Determined**. In order for you to receive the monitoring services described above, you must enroll within 90 days from the date of this letter.

Under U.S. law, a consumer is entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. To order your free credit report, visit <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u> or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also directly contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below to request a free copy of your credit report.

Consumers have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any one of the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, consumers have the right to place a "security freeze" on a credit report, which will prohibit a credit bureau from releasing information in the credit report without the consumer's express authorization. The security freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a security freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, you cannot be charged to place or lift a security freeze on your credit report. To request a security freeze, you will need to provide the following information:

- 1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.);
- 2. Social Security number;
- 3. Date of birth;
- 4. Addresses for the prior two to five years;
- 5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility bill or telephone bill;
- 6. A legible photocopy of a government-issued identification card (state driver's license or ID card, etc.); and
- 7. A copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft if you are a victim of identity theft.

Should you wish to place a fraud alert or security freeze, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

| Equifax | Experian | TransUnion |
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| https://www.equifax.com/personal/ | https://www.experian.com/help/ | https://www.transunion.com/ |
| credit-report-services/ | | credit-help |
| 888-298-0045 | 1-888-397-3742 | 833-395-6938 |
| Equifax Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 105069 | Experian Fraud Alert, P.O. Box | TransUnion Fraud Alert, P.O. Box |
| Atlanta, GA 30348-5069 | 9554, Allen, TX 75013 | 2000, Chester, PA 19016 |
| Equifax Credit Freeze, P.O. Box | Experian Credit Freeze, P.O. Box | TransUnion Credit Freeze, P.O. |
| 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788 | 9554, Allen, TX 75013 | Box 160, Woodlyn, PA 19094 |

You may further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, security freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission may be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580; <u>www.identitytheft.gov</u>; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. You can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. You have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that you have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement and your state Attorney General. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

We understand you may have questions about this incident that are not addressed in this letter. To ensure your questions are answered in a timely manner, please call our dedicated assistance line at 866-274-2280, Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 7:00pm EST, excluding U.S. holidays.

Sincerely,

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