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[Letter Date]

[Consumer Name] [Address] [City, MA, Zip]

Dear [Consumer Name],

Protecting your personal information is of the utmost importance to us. Therefore, I am following-up on our phone conversation of [Phone Conversation Date]. Again, I apologize that your [name, address, account number] was/were inadvertently disclosed.

Massachusetts' law requires us to inform you of the following, which may or may not be applicable in this circumstance:

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 at no cost to you. A security freeze prohibits a credit reporting agency from releasing any information from a consumer's credit report without written authorization. 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. You cannot be charged to place, lift, or remove a security freeze per federal law.

To place a security freeze on your credit report, contact each of the nationwide credit bureaus by phone, online, or by mail. Contact information for each bureau follows:

Equifax Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 <u>www.equifax.com</u> 800-685-1111

Experian Security Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 <u>www.experian.com</u> 888-397-3742 Trans Union Security Freeze Fraud Victim Assistance Department P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19022-2000 <u>www.transunion.com</u> 888-909-8872

You will need to supply your name, address, date of birth, Social Security Number, and other personal information to the credit bureaus to place a freeze.

A freeze remains in place until you ask the credit bureau to temporarily lift it or remove it altogether. If the request is made online or by phone, a credit bureau must lift a freeze within one hour. If the request is made by mail, then the bureau must lift the freeze no later than three business days after getting your request.

I regret any inconvenience that this situation has created. We take our customers' security and privacy seriously. If you should have any further questions, please contact me by email at [E-mail Address] or by phone at [Phone Number].

Sincerely,

[Name] [Title]