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To Enroll, Please Call: 1-800-939-4170 Or Visit: <u>https://app.idx.us/account-</u> <u>creation/protect</u> Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXX>>>

<<First Name>> <<Last Name>> <<Address1>> <<Address2>> <<City>>, <<State>> <<Zip>>

## **Re: Notice of Data Security Incident**

Dear <</First Name>> <<Last Name>>,

We are writing to inform you of a data security incident that may have affected your personal information. At Timber Products Inspection, Inc ("TP"), we are committed to maintaining our clients' trust and demonstrating our commitment to the privacy and security of all information in our possession. That is why we are writing to notify you of this incident, to offer you complimentary credit monitoring and identity protection services, and to inform you about steps that can be taken to help safeguard your personal information.

Under Massachusetts law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard 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.

Massachusetts law also allows consumers to place a security freeze on their credit reports. A security freeze prohibits a consumer 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.

To place a security freeze on your credit report, you must contact each of the three major consumer reporting agencies:

Equifax Security Freeze	Experian Security Freeze	TransUnion Security Freeze
P.O. Box 105788	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 2000
Atlanta, GA 30348	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
1-800-349-9960	1-888-397-3742	1-888-909-8872
www.equifax.com	www.experian.com/freeze/center.html	www.transunion.com/credit-freeze

In order to request a security freeze, you will need to provide the following information:

- 1. Your full name and any suffixes;
- 2. Social Security number;
- 3. Date of birth;
- 4. If you have moved in the past five (5) years, provide the addresses where you have lived over the prior five (5) 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 (e.g. state driver's license or ID card, military identification, etc.); and
- 7. 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 consumer reporting agencies then have three (3) business days after receiving your request to place a security freeze on your credit report. 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.

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To lift the security freeze in order to grant a specific entity or individual access to your credit report, you must call or send a written request to the consumer reporting agencies by mail and include proper identification (name, address, and Social Security number) and the PIN 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 or the specific period of time you want the credit report available. The consumer reporting agencies have three (3) business days after receiving your request to lift the security freeze for those identified entities or individuals, or for the specified period of time.

To remove the security freeze, you must send a written request to each of the three (3) consumer reporting agencies by mail and include proper identification (name, address, and Social Security number) and the PIN or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze. The consumer reporting agencies have three (3) business days after receiving your request to remove the security freeze. You cannot be charged a fee by the consumer reporting agencies to place, lift, or remove a security freeze.

In order to determine whether any unauthorized credit was obtained with your information, you may obtain a copy of your credit report at www.annualcreditreport.com or by calling (877) 322-8228. You may also request information on how to place a fraud alert by contacting any of the above consumer reporting agencies. A fraud alert is intended to alert you if someone attempts to obtain credit in your name without your consent. It is recommended that you remain vigilant for any incidents of fraud or identity theft by reviewing credit card account statements and your credit report for unauthorized activity. You may also contact the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") to learn more about how to prevent identity theft:

FTC, Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington D.C. 20590 www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/microsites/idtheft 877-IDTHEFT (438-4338)

Additionally, as an added precaution, we are offering you 24 months of identity theft protection services through IDX, a data breach and recovery services expert. To receive these services, you must enroll by August 17, 2023, by visiting the link or calling the phone number noted above.

If you have questions or need assistance, please call 1-800-939-4170, Monday through Friday from 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. IDX representatives are fully versed on this incident and can help answer questions you may have regarding the protection of your information.

TPI takes your trust in us and this matter very seriously. Please accept our sincere apologies and know that we deeply regret any worry or inconvenience this may cause you.

Sincerely,

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Jay Moore, President