

# Dear :

The privacy and security of the personal information we maintain is important to Q-Lab Corporation ("Q-Lab"). We are writing with important information regarding a data security incident that may have involved your personal information. We want to provide you with information about the incident, and let you know that we continue to take significant measures to protect your information.

## What Happened?

On January 17, 2024, Q-Lab experienced a security incident that may have involved your personal information.

### What We Are Doing.

Upon learning of this issue, we contained the threat, notified law enforcement and immediately commenced a prompt and thorough investigation. As part of our investigation, we have been working very closely with external cybersecurity professionals experienced in handling these types of incidents. Following a forensics investigation, we discovered that files were removed from our network by the unauthorized actor. On September 13, 2024, we discovered that your personal information was included in the impacted files.

### What Information Was Involved?

The at-risk files contain some of your personal information, including your full name

### What You Can Do.

This letter provides precautionary measures you can take to protect your personal information, including placing a Fraud Alert and Security Freeze on your credit files, and obtaining a free credit report. Additionally, you should always remain vigilant in reviewing your financial account statements and credit reports on a regular basis and report any fraudulent or irregular activity immediately. The enclosed "Other Important Information" provides further details regarding what you can do. As recommended by federal regulatory agencies, you should remember to be vigilant for the next 12 to 24 months and report any suspected incidents of fraud to the relevant financial institution.

## For More Information

We continually evaluate and modify our practices and internal controls to enhance the security and privacy of your personal information.

If you have any further questions regarding this incident, please call between 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Eastern Time.

Please accept our apologies that this incident occurred. We are committed to maintaining the privacy of personal information in our possession and have taken many precautions to safeguard it.

Sincerely,

Q-Lab Corporation

#### OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## 1. Placing a Fraud Alert on Your Credit File.

We recommend that you place an initial one-year "fraud alert" on your credit files, at no charge. A fraud alert tells creditors to contact you personally before they open any new accounts. To place a fraud alert, call any <u>one</u> of the three major credit bureaus at the numbers listed below. As soon as one credit bureau confirms your fraud alert, they will notify the others.

**Equifax** 

P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348-5069 https://www.equifax.com/personal/ credit-report-services/credit-fraudalerts/ (800) 525-6285 **Experian** 

P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 https://www.experian.co m/fraud/center.html (888) 397-3742 **TransUnion** 

Fraud Victim Assistance
Department
P.O. Box 2000
Chester, PA 19016-2000
https://www.transunion.com/frau

d-alerts (800) 680-7289

## 2. Placing a Security Freeze on Your Credit File.

If you are very concerned about becoming a victim of fraud or identity theft, you may request a "security freeze" be placed on your credit file, at no charge. A security freeze prohibits, with certain specific exceptions, the consumer reporting agencies from releasing your credit report or any information from it without your express authorization. You may place a security freeze on your credit report by contacting <u>all three</u> nationwide credit reporting companies at the numbers below and following the stated directions or by sending a request in writing, by mail, to <u>all three</u> credit reporting companies:

**Equifax Security Freeze** 

P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 https://www.equifax.com/perso nal/credit-reportservices/credit-freeze/ (800) 349-9960 (888) 298-0045 **Experian Security Freeze** 

P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 http://experian.com/freeze (888) 397-3742 **TransUnion Security Freeze** 

P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094 https://www.transunion.com/credit-freeze (888) 909-8872

In order to place the security freeze, you'll need to supply your name, address, date of birth, Social Security number and other personal information. After receiving your freeze request, each credit reporting company will send you a confirmation letter containing a unique PIN (personal identification number) or password. Keep the PIN or password in a safe place. You will need it if you choose to lift the freeze.

You have rights under the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA). These include, among others, the right to know what is in your file; to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information; and to have consumer reporting agencies correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information. For more information about the FCRA, please visit www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf or www.ftc.gov.

## 3. Obtaining a Free Credit Report.

Under federal law, you are entitled to one free credit report every 12 months from <u>each</u> of the above three major nationwide credit reporting companies. Call **1-877-322-8228** or request your free credit reports online at **www.annualcreditreport.com**. Once you receive your credit reports, review them for discrepancies. Identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. Verify all information is correct. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting company.

### 4. Additional Helpful Resources.

Even if you do not find any suspicious activity on your initial credit reports, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends that you check your credit reports periodically. Checking your credit report periodically can help you spot problems and address them quickly.

If you find suspicious activity on your credit reports or have reason to believe your information is being misused, call your local law enforcement agency and file a police report. Be sure to obtain a copy of the police report, as many creditors will want the information it contains to absolve you of the fraudulent debts. You may also file a complaint with the FTC by contacting them on the web at www.ftc.gov/idtheft, by phone at 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338), or by mail at Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. Your complaint will be added to the FTC's Identity Theft Data Clearinghouse, where it will be accessible to law enforcement for their investigations. In addition, you may obtain information from the FTC about fraud alerts and security freezes.

If this notice letter states that your financial account information and/or credit or debit card information was impacted, we recommend that you contact your financial institution to inquire about steps to take to protect your account, including whether you should close your account or obtain a new account number.

If your personal information has been used to file a false tax return, to open an account or to attempt to open an account in your name or to commit fraud or other crimes against you, you may file a police report in the city in which you currently reside.

Consider keeping a record of your contacts. Start a file with copies of your credit reports, the police reports, any correspondence, and copies of disputed bills. It is helpful to log conversations with creditors, law enforcement officials, and other relevant parties.

## 5. Reporting Identity Fraud to the IRS.

If you believe you are a victim of identity fraud AND it is affecting your federal tax records (or may affect them at some time in the future), such as your attempt to file your federal tax returns electronically was rejected or if you received a notice from the IRS indicating someone was otherwise using your Social Security number, it is recommended you do the following:

- File an Identity Theft Affidavit (Form 14039) with the IRS. The form can be downloaded at: https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f14039.pdf.
- Call the IRS at (800) 908-4490, ext. 245 to report the situation. The unit office is open Monday through Friday from 7 am to 7 pm.
- Report the situation to your local police or law enforcement department.

Additional information regarding preventing tax related identity theft can be found at http://www.irs.gov/uac/Identity-Protection.

You may request an IRS Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) at https://www.irs.gov/identity-theft-fraud-scams/get-an-identity-protection-pin. An IP PIN is a six-digit number that prevents someone else from filing a tax return using your Social Security number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number. The IP PIN is known only to you and the IRS. It helps IRS verify your identity when you file your electronic or paper tax return.