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Re: Notice of << Variable Data 1>>

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

I am writing to inform you of a recent data security incident experienced by RINA Accountants & Advisors ("RINA") that may have involved your personal information. At RINA, we take the privacy and security of all of the information in our possession very seriously. That is why we are writing to notify you of the incident, provide you with steps that you can take to help protect your personal information, and offer you complementary credit and identity monitoring services.

What Happened. In May 2022, RINA became aware that certain of its clients had experienced fraudulent tax return filings. Upon this discovery, RINA immediately began an investigation and retained cybersecurity experts to assist RINA with determining the cause of the fraudulent filings and whether there had been unauthorized access to RINA's network. On July 22, 2022, the investigation determined that an unauthorized actor may have accessed some client information contained on RINA's network between February 28, 2022 and June 6, 2022. Out of an abundance of caution, RINA is notifying all potentially impacted clients of the incident, providing them with steps they can take to protect their personal information, and offering them free credit and identity monitoring services.

Following a review of the information contained on the impacted systems, we determined that some of your personal information was contained on the systems that the unauthorized actor accessed. We then worked diligently to identify current contact information to notify you of the incident.

What Information Was Involved. The information may have involved your << Breached elements>>.

What We Are Doing. As soon as we detected the incident, we took the measures referenced above. We have also implemented enhanced security features to reduce the risk of a similar incident occurring in the future. Furthermore, we reported the incident to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Internal Revenue Service and the California Franchise Tax Board. We are also providing you with information about steps you can take to help protect your personal information, and offering free credit monitoring services for << CM Length>> through Epiq as described below.

What You Can Do. You can follow the recommendations included with this letter to protect your personal information. We also strongly encourage you to enroll in the credit monitoring and identity monitoring services we are offering through Epiq. To enroll in this service, go to www.MyTrueIdentity.com or call 1-855-288-5422 and when prompted for the Activation Code, provide <<Insert Unique 12-letter Activation Code>> and follow the steps to receive your credit monitoring services. Your complimentary services will include credit monitoring, fraud alerts, and \$1,000,000 in identity theft insurance. The deadline to enroll is <<Enrollment Deadline>>.

**For More Information:** If you have any questions regarding the incident or would like assistance with enrolling in the credit and identity monitoring services, please call **888-294-4250** between 6 am to 6 pm Pacific Time from Monday to Friday.

Please accept our sincere apologies and know that we deeply regret any worry or inconvenience that this may cause you.

Sincerely,

Tom Neff, CPA Managing Partner

RINA Accountants & Advisors

## Steps You Can Take to Protect Your Personal Information

Review Your Account Statements and Notify Law Enforcement of Suspicious Activity: As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant by reviewing your account statements and credit reports closely. If you detect any suspicious activity on an account, you should promptly notify the financial institution or company with which the account is maintained. You also should promptly report any fraudulent activity or any suspected incidence of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, your state attorney general, and/or the Federal Trade Commission (FTC).

**Copy of Credit Report:** You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting agencies once every 12 months by visiting <a href="http://www.annualcreditreport.com/">http://www.annualcreditreport.com/</a>, calling toll-free 1-877-322-8228, or by completing an Annual Credit Report Request Form and mailing it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348. You also can contact one of the following three national credit reporting agencies:

Equifax	Experian
P.O. Box 105851	P.O. Box 9532
Atlanta, GA 30348	Allen, TX 75013
1-800-525-6285	1-888-397-3742
www.equifax.com	www.experian.com

**Fraud Alert:** You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit file for at least one year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three credit reporting agencies identified above. Additional information is available at <a href="http://www.annualcreditreport.com">http://www.annualcreditreport.com</a>.

**Security Freeze:** You have the right to put a security freeze on your credit file for up to one year at no cost. This will prevent new credit from being opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate the freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential creditors from accessing your credit report without your consent. As a result, using a security freeze may interfere with or delay your ability to obtain credit. You must separately place a security freeze on your credit file with each credit reporting agency. In order to place a security freeze, you may be required to provide the consumer reporting agency with information that identifies you including your full name, Social Security number, date of birth, current and previous addresses, a copy of your state-issued identification card, and a recent utility bill, bank statement or insurance statement.

**Additional Free Resources:** You can obtain information from the consumer reporting agencies, the FTC, or from your respective state Attorney General about fraud alerts, security freezes, and steps you can take toward preventing identity theft. You may report suspected identity theft to local law enforcement, including to the FTC or to the Attorney General in your state.

Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20580 consumer.ftc.gov, and www.ftc.gov/idtheft 1-877-438-4338 Maryland Attorney General 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202 oag.state.md.us 1-888-743-0023 New York Attorney General Bureau of Internet and Technology Resources 28 Liberty Street New York, NY 10005 1-212-416-8433

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https://www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov/

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