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#### Dear <</First Name>>:

Relevant Solutions, LLC values and respects the privacy of the information entrusted to us, which is why we are writing to advise you of a security incident that may have involved your personal information. We have no reason to believe your information has been or will be misused for identity theft. Nonetheless, we want to provide you with details about the incident, explain the services we are making available to you, and let you know we continue to take significant measures to protect your information.

#### What Happened?

On March 24, 2022, Relevant Solutions, LLC detected unauthorized access to business systems and servers, resulting in potential exposure of the data within.

#### What We Are Doing.

Upon learning of this issue, we secured the systems and servers, and commenced a prompt and thorough investigation in consultation with outside cybersecurity professionals who regularly investigate and analyze these types of situations. After an extensive investigation and manual document review, we discovered on March 22, 2024, that some of your personal information may have been accessed and/or acquired from the systems that were accessed.

#### What Information Was Involved?

The impacted files contained your name along with your <<Breached Elements>>.

#### What You Can Do.

We have no evidence that any of your information has been or will be misused for identity theft. Out of an abundance of caution, to protect you from potential misuse of your information, we are offering a complimentary one-year membership in Equifax<sup>®</sup> Credit Watch<sup>TM</sup> Gold. Equifax<sup>®</sup> Credit Watch<sup>TM</sup> Gold is completely free to you and enrolling in this program will not hurt your credit score. For more information on identity theft prevention and Equifax<sup>®</sup> Credit Watch<sup>TM</sup> Gold, including instructions on how to activate your complimentary one-year membership, please see the additional information provided in this letter.

Also provided in the "Other Important Information" portion of this letter are precautionary measures you can take to protect your personal information, including placing a fraud alert and/or security freeze on your credit files, and/or obtaining a free credit report. Additionally, you should always remain vigilant in reviewing your financial account statements and credit reports for fraudulent or irregular activity on a regular basis.

## For More Information

We value the trust you place in us to protect your privacy and apologize for any inconvenience or concern this incident might cause. **If you have any further questions regarding this incident, please call our toll-free response line at the second second** 

Sincerely,

Relevant Solutions, LLC

### **OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### 1. <u>Enrolling in Complimentary 12-Month Credit Monitoring</u>.



Activation Code:<<Activation Code>> Deadline:<<Enrollment Deadline>>

## Equifax Credit Watch<sup>™</sup> Gold

\*Note: You must be over age 18 with a credit file to take advantage of the product

#### Key Features

- Credit monitoring with email notifications of key changes to your Equifax credit report
- Daily access to your Equifax credit report
- WebScan notifications<sup>1</sup> when your personal information, such as Social Security Number, credit/debit card or bank account numbers are found on fraudulent Internet trading sites
- Automatic fraud alerts<sup>2</sup>, which encourages potential lenders to take extra steps to verify your identity before extending credit, plus blocked inquiry alerts and Equifax credit report lock<sup>3</sup>
- Identity Restoration to help restore your identity should you become a victim of identity theft, and a dedicated Identity Restoration Specialist to work on your behalf
- Up to \$1,000,000 of identity theft insurance coverage for certain out of pocket expenses resulting from identity theft<sup>4</sup>

### **Enrollment Instructions**

#### Go to www.equifax.com/activate

Enter your unique Activation Code of <<*ACTIVATION CODE*>> then click "Submit" and follow these 4 steps:

1. Register:

Complete the form with your contact information and click "Continue". If you already have a myEquifax account, click the 'Sign in here' link under the "Let's get started" header. Once you have successfully signed in, you will skip to the Checkout Page in Step 4

2. <u>Create Account:</u>

Enter your email address, create a password, and accept the terms of use.

3. Verify Identity:

To enroll in your product, we will ask you to complete our identity verification process.

4. Checkout:

Upon successful verification of your identity, you will see the Checkout Page.

Click 'Sign Me Up' to finish enrolling.

#### You're done!

The confirmation page shows your completed enrollment. Click "View My Product" to access the product features.

IWebScan searches for your Social Security Number, up to 5 passport numbers, up to 6 bank account numbers, up to 6 credit/debit card numbers, up to 6 email addresses, and up to 10 medical ID numbers. WebScan searches thousands of Internet sites where consumers' personal information is suspected of being bought and sold, and regularly adds new sites to the list of those it searches. However, the Internet addresses of these suspected Internet trading sites are not published and frequently change, so there is no guarantee that we are able to locate and search every possible Internet site where consumers' personal information is at risk of being traded. **2**The Automatic Fraud Alert feature is made available to consumers by Equifax Information Services LLC and fulfilled on its behalf by Equifax Consumer Services LLC. **3**Locking your Equifax credit report will prevent access to it by certain third parties. Locking your Equifax Global Consumer Solutions, which provide you with access to your credit report at any other credit report or credit score, or monitor your credit report as part of a subscription or similar service; companies that provide you with a copy of your credit report or credit score, upon your request; federal, state and local government agencies and courts in certain circumstances; companies using the information in connection with the underwriting of insurance, or for employment, tenant or background screening purposes; companies that have a current account or relationship with you, and collection agencies acting on behalf of those whom you owe; companies that authenticate a consumer's identity for purposes other than granting credit, or for investigating or preventing actual or potential fraud; and companies that wish to make pre-approved offers of credit or insurance to you. To opt out of such pre-approved offers, visit www.optoutprescreen.com **4**The Identity Theft Insurance benefit is underwritten and administered by American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida, an Assurant company, under group o

### 2. <u>Placing a Fraud Alert on Your Credit File</u>.

Whether or not you choose to use the complimentary 12 month credit monitoring services, 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	Experian	TransUnion
P.O. Box 105069	P.O. Box 9554	Fraud Victim Assistance
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	Allen, TX 75013	Department
https://www.equifax.com/personal/	https://www.experian.com/fr	P.O. Box 2000
credit-report-services/credit-fraud-	aud/center.html	Chester, PA 19016-2000
<u>alerts/</u>	(888) 397-3742	https://www.transunion.com/fraud-
(800) 525-6285		<u>alerts</u>
		(800) 680-7289

#### 3. <u>Consider Placing a Security Freeze on Your Credit File.</u>

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 30348-5788 <u>https://www.equifax.com/person</u> <u>al/credit-report-services/creditfreeze/</u> (888)-298-0045 *Experian Security Freeze* P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 <u>http://experian.com/freeze</u> (888) 397-3742 *TransUnion Security Freeze* P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094 <u>https://www.transunion.com/credit-freeze</u> (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.

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.

If you do place a security freeze *prior* to enrolling in the credit monitoring service as described above, you will need to remove the freeze in order to sign up for the credit monitoring service. After you sign up for the credit monitoring service, you may refreeze your credit file.

#### 4. <u>Obtaining a Free Credit Report.</u>

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.

# 5. <u>Additional Helpful Resources</u>.

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.

**New Mexico Residents:** 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/sites/default/files/articles/pdf/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf or www.ftc.gov.

## In Addition, New Mexico Consumers Have the Right to Obtain a Security Freeze or Submit a Declaration of Removal

As noted above, you may obtain a security freeze on your credit report to protect your privacy and ensure that credit is not granted in your name without your knowledge. You may submit a declaration of removal to remove information placed in your credit report as a result of being a victim of identity theft. You have a right to place a security freeze on your credit report or submit a declaration of removal pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting and Identity Security Act.

The security freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. When you place a security freeze on your credit report, you will be provided with a personal identification number, password, or similar device to use if you choose to remove the freeze on your credit report or to temporarily authorize the release of your credit report to a specific party or parties or for a specific period of time after the freeze is in place. To remove the freeze or to provide authorization for the temporary release of your credit report, you must contact the consumer reporting agency and provide all of the following:

- 1. The unique personal identification number, password, or similar device provided by the consumer reporting agency;
- 1. Proper identification to verify your identity; and
- 2. Information regarding the third party or parties who are to receive the credit report or the period of time for which the credit report may be released to users of the credit report.

A consumer reporting agency that receives a request from a consumer to lift temporarily a freeze on a credit report shall comply with the request no later than three business days after receiving the request. As of September 1, 2008, a consumer reporting agency shall comply with the request within fifteen minutes of receiving the request by a secure electronic method or by telephone.

A security freeze does not apply in all circumstances, such as where you have an existing account relationship and a copy of your credit report is requested by your existing creditor or its agents for certain types of account review, collection, fraud control, or similar activities; for use in setting or adjusting an insurance rate or claim or insurance underwriting; for certain governmental purposes; and for purposes of prescreening as defined in the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act.

If you are actively seeking a new credit, loan, utility, telephone, or insurance account, you should understand that the procedures involved in lifting a security freeze may slow your own applications for credit. You should plan ahead and lift a freeze, either completely if you are shopping around or specifically for a certain creditor, with enough advance notice before you apply for new credit for the lifting to take effect. You should contact a consumer reporting agency and request it to lift the freeze at least three business days before applying. As of September 1, 2008, if you contact a consumer reporting agency by a secure electronic method or by telephone, the consumer reporting agency should lift the freeze within fifteen minutes. You have a right to bring a civil action against a consumer reporting agency that violates your rights under the Fair Credit Reporting and Identity Security Act.

To place a security freeze on your credit report, you must send a request to each of the three major consumer reporting agencies: Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. You may contact these agencies using the contact information provided above.