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May xx, 2024

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Dear <<FirstName>> <<LastName>>:

John R. Wood, Inc. ("JRW") is writing to notify you of a recent event that may affect the privacy of some of your information. This notice provides information about the event, our response, and resources available that we are offering at no cost to you to help protect your information from possible misuse, should you feel it is appropriate to do so.

**What Happened?** On or around April 3, 2024, JRW became aware of suspicious activity on its computer network. JRW quickly began an investigation to determine the full nature and scope of the activity. Through the investigation, JRW determined that on April 2, 2024 an unauthorized actor may have downloaded certain files folders without authorization. We promptly began a review of the relevant files and folders. On April 23, 2024, our review determined that the files may have contained your information.

**What Information Was Involved?** Our investigation determined that the following types of information related to you may have been contained within the relevant files and folders: << exposed data elements>>.

What We Are Doing. We take the confidentiality, privacy, and security of information very seriously. Upon becoming aware of the suspicious activity, we promptly took steps to commence an investigation and respond. The investigation and response included confirming the security our systems, reviewing the contents of relevant data for sensitive information, and notifying potentially affected individuals associated with that sensitive information. As part of our ongoing commitment to the privacy of personal information in our care, we are reviewing our policies, procedures, and processes related to the storage and access to personal information.

As an added precaution we are providing you with access to **Single Bureau Credit Monitoring/Single Bureau Credit Report/Single Bureau Credit Score** services at no charge. These services provide you with alerts for twenty-four (24) months from the date of enrollment when changes occur to your credit file. This notification is sent to you the same day that the change or update takes place with the bureau. Finally, we are providing you with proactive fraud assistance to help with any questions that you might have or in event that you become a victim of fraud. These services will be provided by Cyberscout through Identity Force, a TransUnion company, specializing in fraud assistance and remediation services. If you

wish to activate these services, you may follow the instructions included in the enclosed *Steps You Can Take To Help Protect Personal Information*.

What You Can Do. We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your account statements and monitoring your free credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect errors. You may also review the information contained in the enclosed *Steps You Can Take To Help Protect Personal Information*. There you will also find more information on the complimentary credit monitoring services we are making available to you. While we will cover the cost of these services, you will need to enroll yourself as we are unable to do so on your behalf.

**For More Information.** If you have questions about this matter, please contact our toll-free dedicated assistance line at 1-800-405-6108, Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 8:00 pm EST (excluding major U.S. holidays. Please be prepared to provide your unique code listed below. You may also write us at 9130 Corsea Del Fontana Way, Naples, Florida 34109.

Sincerely,

John R. Wood, Inc.

## STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION

## **Enroll in Monitoring Services**

To enroll in Credit Monitoring services at no charge, please log on to **https://bfs.cyberscout.com/activate** and follow the instructions provided. When prompted please provide the following unique code to receive services: **<CODE HERE>** 

In order for you to receive the monitoring services described above, you must enroll within 90 days from the date of this letter. The enrollment requires an internet connection and e-mail account and may not be available to minors under the age of 18 years of age. Please note that when signing up for monitoring services, you may be asked to verify personal information for your own protection to confirm your identity.

# **Monitor Your Accounts**

Under U.S. law, a consumer is entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. To order a free credit report, visit <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u> or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. Consumers may also directly contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below to request a free copy of their credit report.

Consumers have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If consumers are the victim of identity theft, they are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should consumers wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any of the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, consumers have the right to place a "credit freeze" on a credit report, which will prohibit a credit bureau from releasing information in the credit report without the consumer's express authorization. The credit freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in a consumer's name without consent. However, consumers should be aware that using a credit freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in their credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application they make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, consumers cannot be charged to place or lift a credit freeze on their credit report. To request a credit freeze, individuals may need to provide some or all of the following information:

- 1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.);
- 2. Social Security number;
- 3. Date of birth;
- 4. Addresses for the prior two to five 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 (state driver's license or ID card, etc.); and
- 7. A copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft if they are a victim of identity theft.

Should consumers wish to place a credit freeze or fraud alert, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-		https://www.transunion.com/credit-
report-services/	https://www.experian.com/help/	help
1-888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	1-800-916-8800
Equifax Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 105069	Experian Fraud Alert, P.O. Box	TransUnion Fraud Alert, P.O. Box
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	9554, Allen, TX 75013	2000, Chester, PA 19016
Equifax Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 105788	Experian Credit Freeze, P.O.	TransUnion Credit Freeze, P.O.
Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	Box 160, Woodlyn, PA 19094

# **Additional Information**

Consumers may further educate themselves regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps they can take to protect your personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or their state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission may be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20580; <u>www.identitytheft.gov</u>; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. Consumers can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. Consumers have the right to file a police report if they ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, consumers will likely need to provide some proof that they have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement and the relevant state Attorney General. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

*For New York residents*, the New York Attorney General may be contacted at: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755; or https://ag.ny.gov.

*For North Carolina residents*, the North Carolina Attorney General may be contacted at: 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001; 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6000; and www.ncdoj.gov.