



THE CITY OF **DOTHAN, ALABAMA**

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[First Name] [Last Name]

[Address]

[City, State, Zip]

[Date]

RE: Notice of Data Breach

Dear [Name],

The City of Dothan do("the City") is writing to notify you because you may have been affected by the CentralSquare Technologies ("CentralSquare") data security incident. CentralSquare is a third-party vendor that provides utility billing services to the City. To date, CentralSquare has not reported that your personal information has been misused as a result of this incident. Nevertheless, we are notifying you so you are aware of the incident and may take steps to better protect your personal information should you feel it is appropriate to do so.

What Happened? On November 6, 2019, the City received notice from CentralSquare of a potential data security issue within the online payment portal, Click2Gov, which is managed and operated by that vendor. The notice indicated that alterations to Click2Gov's applicable code could have enabled the unauthorized access to certain payment card information from the customer's internet browser window during a payment transaction. On December 4, 2019, CentralSquare confirmed that the time period in which the payment transactions may have been affected is between August 26, 2019 and October 26, 2019.

What Information Was Involved? CentralSquare advised that the unauthorized code was capable of capturing customer information, such as name, address, credit/ debit card number, card type, printed security code, and expiration date. Our records indicate that you made a one-time payment or set up recurring payments during this time period. Therefore, it is possible that your information could have been obtained by an authorized party.

What We Are Doing. We take the confidentiality, privacy, and security of personal information very seriously. The City has strict security measures in place to protect information in our care. After receiving notice from CentralSquare, we took steps to understand the impact the CentralSquare data security incident had on City data. Third-party forensic investigators were engaged, and with their assistance, the investigation determined that payment card information entered between August 26, 2019 – October 26, 2019 could have been affected by the CentralSquare incident. Upon confirmation of this information, the City worked to identify those individuals who may have made payments during this period. The City immediately stood up a new server with a new version of the Click2Gov website while it assessed the security of the old version of the Click2Gov website on the original server. Additionally, the City took steps to confirm and further strengthen the security of its systems and the City is reviewing its security



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policies and procedures as part of its ongoing commitment to information security. The City is working with law enforcement and notified relevant regulators.

While CentralSquare has not reported misuse of your specific information, as an added precaution, they are offering you a twelve-month subscription to a free credit monitoring service offered through TransUnion. For instructions on how to enroll, please refer to the attached brochure.

What You Can Do. We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud, to review your account statements, and to monitor your credit reports for suspicious activity. You may review the information contained in the enclosed "Steps You Can Take to Protect Your Information" for more information on how to better protect your personal information. You may also enroll to receive the identity and credit monitoring services that are being made available to you.

For More Information. We understand you may have questions about this incident that are not addressed in this letter. To ensure your questions are answered in a timely manner, you may contact 855-930-0684, which can be reached Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time. You may also contact us directly at 334-615-4100 or write to us directly at ATTN: IT Director, 126 N. St. Andrews Street, Dothan, AL, 36303 or dothanutilities@dothan.org.

We take very seriously the security of the personal information that our customers entrust into our care and regret any inconvenience caused by this incident. Working to ensure that this does not happen again is one of our highest priorities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jack Mason".

Jack Mason
IT Director
City of Dothan, AL



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Enroll in Credit Monitoring:

[INSERT CREDIT MONITORING INFORMATION HERE]

Monitor Your Accounts

We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud, to review your account statements and explanation of benefits, and to monitor your credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect error over the next 12 to 24 months. Under U.S. law you are entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus. To order your free credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport.com or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also contact the three major credit bureaus directly to request a free copy of your credit report.

You have the right to place a "security freeze" on your credit report, which will prohibit a consumer reporting agency from releasing information in your credit report without your express authorization. The security freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a security freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, you cannot be charged to place or lift a security freeze on your credit report. Should you wish to place a security freeze, please contact the major consumer reporting agencies listed below:

Experian
PO Box 9554
Allen, TX 75013
1-888-397-3742

TransUnion
P.O. Box 2000
Chester, PA 19016
1-888-909-8872

Equifax
PO Box 105788
Atlanta, GA 30348-5788
1-800-685-1111

www.experian.com/freeze/center.html

www.transunion.com/credit-freeze

www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services

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

1. Your full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.);
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 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, military identification, etc.);
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.



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As an alternative to a security freeze, you have the right to place an initial or extended “fraud alert” on your 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 you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any one of the agencies listed below:

Experian P.O. Box 2002 Allen, TX 75013 1-888-397-3742 www.experian.com/fraud/center.html	TransUnion P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19106 1-800-680-7289 www.transunion.com/fraud-victim-resource/place-fraud-alert	Equifax P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348 1-888-766-0008 www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services
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Additional Information

You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, security freezes, and the steps you can take to protect yourself, by contacting the consumer reporting agencies, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General.

The Federal Trade Commission can be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580, www.identitytheft.gov, 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); 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. You can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. You have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that you have been a victim. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

For Maryland residents, the Attorney General can be contacted at 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202, 1-888-743-0023, www.oag.state.md.us. Dothan can be contacted at 126 N. Saint Andrews Street, Dothan, AL 36302.

For New Mexico residents, you have rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, such as the right to be told if information in your credit file has been used against you, the right to know what is in your credit file, the right to ask for your credit score, and the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information. Further, pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, the consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information; access to your file is limited; you must give your consent for credit reports to be provided to employers; you may limit “prescreened” offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report; and you may seek



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damages from violators. You may have additional rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act not summarized here. Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have specific additional rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act. We encourage you to review your rights pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act by visiting www.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504_cfpb_summary_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf, or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

For North Carolina residents, the Attorney General can be contacted at 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6400, www.ncdoj.gov.

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