# EXHIBIT A



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## CONFIDENTIAL

## Via Certified U.S. Mail and Email

Montana Self-Insurers Guaranty Fund 519 Pleasant Street Miles City, MT 59301 guarantyfund@montanahealthnetwork.com

Attn: Janet Bastian, Executive Director, Montana Self-Insurers Guaranty Fund

RE: Written Notification of a Potential Security Incident

Dear Ms. Bastian:

I am writing on behalf of my client, Equian, LLC ("Equian"). This letter serves as notice of an event that may have compromised the confidentiality of a limited amount of Montana Self-Insurers Guaranty Fund information.

Recently, Equian learned that an employee email account was potentially compromised as a result of a phishing attack. The incident was discovered when an attacker attempted to engage in social engineering using email correspondence from the employee as an authenticator. To our knowledge, these social engineering attacks were not successful.

Immediately upon discovery, Equian began investigating the incident and hired undersigned counsel, who hired a leading computer security and forensics firm. Equian remediated the issue by resetting the employee's password, and analyzing what, if any, activity was performed under this account during the event.

Although it appears that the attacker desired to utilize the email account solely for social engineering purposes, the attacker's access to this email account creates potential state data breach reporting obligations for your consideration. Out of an abundance of caution, Equian reviewed the totality of the impacted employee's email account which included over 35,500 documents and discovered that certain business processes involved email transfer of personally identifiable information of Montana Self-Insurers Guaranty Fund's customers.

We are prepared to securely transfer a spreadsheet detailing the individuals impacted, and I will send the same to you or your designee upon receiving confirmation of an email address for secure transfer. Also detailed in this spreadsheet will be a small number of individuals in which we could not identify the relevant customer, and we ask for your assistance in claiming these individuals if they are customers of yours.

After you receive this spreadsheet, if Montana Self-Insurers Guaranty Fund believes that state data breach notification laws require notification to these individuals, a template individual notice letter is enclosed herewith for your consideration which includes an offer for free credit monitoring. If Montana Self-Insurers Guaranty Fund desires to delegate notification to Equian, we are prepared to handle these notifications on Montana Self-Insurers Guaranty Fund's behalf using this template as a base letter with slight variations based on state law requirements, subject to your approval. Additionally, there may be regulatory requirements for certain state attorney generals in such notifications, which Equian is prepared to notify on your behalf should you instruct them to do so.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact me by telephone at (317) 236-2337 or via email at nicholas.merker@icemiller.com.

Very truly yours,

ICE MILLER LLP

Nicholas R. Merker

#### Enclosures:

1) Copy of Template Individual Notice

## EXHIBIT B



Equian, LLC 26555 Evergreen Road Suite 200 Southfield, MI 48076



December 26, 2019

## **NOTICE OF DATA BREACH**

We are contacting you regarding a security incident Equian, LLC experienced which may have involved some of your information. The Montana Department of Labor & Industry, who manages your workers' compensation claim, utilizes Equian for bill review services. We take the privacy and security of your personal information seriously and for this reason want you to understand what we are doing to address this issue and what steps you can take to protect yourself.

## **What Happened**

On May 24, 2019, we learned that a limited number of employee email accounts were potentially accessed on May 24, 2019 by an unauthorized third party. Equian provided preliminary notice of the incident to the Montana Department of Labor & Industry and Montana Self-Insurers Guaranty Fund on July 19, 2019.

## What Information Was Involved

Following an investigation into the limited number of email accounts that were potentially accessed, we discovered that your information was in one or more messages in the compromised email accounts. The information that may have been accessed may have included your first and last name, medical information, health insurance information, social security number, or address. We have no evidence to suggest that your personal information was actually viewed or collected by any unauthorized third party. However, we are unable to rule out the remote possibility that your information was accessed. Therefore, out of an abundance of caution, we are providing you with this notice in the unlikely event your information was compromised.

## What We Are Doing

As soon as we learned of the unapproved access, we began an investigation. Among other things, we reset the passwords of all employees whose accounts were accessed. Further, we engaged a leading digital forensics firm to assist in investigating the scope of the incident. With them, we are using this incident as an opportunity to consider any additional enhancements to our security controls to help to prevent a similar incident in the future.

## What You Can Do

Although there is no evidence that your information was accessed as a result of this incident, consumers should always remain vigilant in monitoring account statements and transactions for incidents of fraud and identity theft, and promptly report such incidents. The enclosed "Reference Guide" includes additional information on general steps you can take to monitor and protect your personal information.

To help protect your identity, we are offering a complimentary one-year membership of Experian's® IdentityWorks<sup>SM</sup>. This product provides you with superior identity detection and resolution of identity theft. To activate your membership and start monitoring your personal information please follow the steps below:

- Ensure that you enroll by: March 31, 2020 (Your code will not work after this date.)
- Visit the Experian IdentityWorks website to enroll: www.experianidworks.com/credit
- Provide your activation code:

If you have questions about the product, need assistance with identity restoration or would like an alternative to enrolling in Experian IdentityWorks online, please contact Experian's customer care team at 877.715.8889 by March 31, 2020. Be prepared to provide engagement number DB16828 as proof of eligibility for the identity restoration services by Experian.

## Additional details regarding your 12-month Experian IdentityWorks Membership:

A credit card is **not** required for enrollment in Experian IdentityWorks.

You can contact Experian **immediately** regarding any fraud issues, and have access to the following features once you enroll in Experian IdentityWorks:

- **Experian credit report at signup:** See what information is associated with your credit file. Daily credit reports are available for online members only.\*
- Credit Monitoring: Actively monitors Experian file for indicators of fraud.
- Identity Restoration: Identity Restoration agents are immediately available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.

- Experian IdentityWorks ExtendCARE<sup>TM</sup>: You receive the same high-level of Identity Restoration support even after your Experian IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- Up to \$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance\*\*: Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers.

If you believe there was fraudulent use of your information and would like to discuss how you may be able to resolve those issues, please reach out to an Experian agent at 877.715.8889. If, after discussing your situation with an agent, it is determined that Identity Restoration support is needed, then an Experian Identity Restoration agent is available to work with you to investigate and resolve each incident of fraud that occurred (including, as appropriate, helping you with contacting credit grantors to dispute charges and close accounts; assisting you in placing a freeze on your credit file with the three major credit bureaus; and assisting you with contacting government agencies to help restore your identity to its proper condition).

Please note that this Identity Restoration support is available to you for one year from the date of this letter and does not require any action on your part at this time. The Terms and Conditions for this offer are located at <a href="https://www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration">www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration</a>. You will also find self-help tips and information about identity protection at this site.

## For More Information

We take the protection of your personal information seriously and are taking steps to prevent a similar occurrence. Although there is no evidence that your information was accessed as a result of this incident, if you want to learn more about the steps you can take to protect against identity theft or fraud, please review the enclosed "Reference Guide" materials. If you have any questions about this security incident, please call 877.715.8889 toll free during weekdays from 9:00am to 9:00pm ET and weekends from 11:00am to 8:00pm ET. The toll free number has been created specifically to answer your questions about the incident services.

Sincerely,

Equian, LLC

<sup>\*</sup> Offline members will be eligible to call for additional reports quarterly after enrolling

<sup>\*\*</sup> The Identity Theft Insurance is underwritten and administered by American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida, an Assurant company. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.

#### **Reference Guide**

## **Order Your Free Credit Report**

To order your free annual credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport.com, call toll-free at (877) 322-8228, or complete the Annual Credit Report Request Form on the U.S. Federal Trade Commission's ("FTC") website at www.ftc.gov and mail it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281. The three credit bureaus provide free annual credit reports only through the website, toll-free number or request form.

Upon receiving your credit report, review it carefully. Errors may be a warning sign of possible identity theft. Here are a few tips of what to look for:

- Look for accounts you did not open.
- Look in the "inquiries" section for names of creditors from whom you have not requested credit. Some companies bill under names other than their store or commercial names; the credit bureau will be able to tell if this is the case.
- Look in the "personal information" section for any inaccuracies in information (such as home address and Social Security Number).

If you see anything you do not understand, call the credit bureau at the telephone number on the report. You should notify the credit bureaus of any inaccuracies in your report, whether due to error or fraud, as soon as possible so the information can be investigated and, if found to be in error, corrected. If there are accounts or charges you did not authorize, immediately notify the appropriate credit bureau by telephone and in writing. Information that cannot be explained should also be reported to your local police or sheriff's office because it may signal criminal activity.

## Contact the U.S. Federal Trade Commission

If you detect any unauthorized transactions in any of your financial accounts, promptly notify the appropriate payment card company or financial institution. If you detect any incidence of identity theft or fraud, promptly report the matter to your local law enforcement authorities, state Attorney General and the FTC.

You can contact the FTC to learn more about how to protect yourself from becoming a victim of identity theft by using the contact information below:

Federal Trade Commission Consumer Response Center 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20580 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338) www.ftc.gov/idtheft/

## Place a Fraud Alert on Your Credit File

To protect yourself from possible identity theft, consider placing a fraud alert on your credit file. A fraud alert helps protect against the possibility of an identity thief opening new credit accounts in your name. When a credit grantor checks the credit history of someone applying for credit, the credit grantor gets a notice that the applicant may be the victim of identity theft. The alert notifies the credit grantor to take steps to verify the identity of the applicant. You can place a fraud alert on your credit report by calling any one of the toll-free fraud numbers provided below. You will reach an automated telephone system that allows flagging of your file with a fraud alert at all three credit bureaus.

Equifax Fraud Reporting 1-800-525-6285 P.O. Box 105069

Atlanta, GA 30348-5069 www.alerts.equifax.com Experian Fraud Reporting 1-888-397-3742

P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 www.experian.com TransUnion Fraud Reporting

1-888-909-8872 P.O. Box 2000

Chester, PA 19022-2000 www.transunion.com

## **Security Freezes**

You have the right to put a security freeze, also known as a credit freeze, on your credit file, so that no new credit can be opened in your name without the use of a PIN number that is issued to you when you initiate a freeze. A security freeze is designed to prevent potential credit grantors from accessing your credit report without your consent. If you place a security freeze, potential creditors and other third parties will not be able to get access to your credit report unless you temporarily lift the freeze. Therefore, using a security freeze may delay your ability to obtain credit.

As of September 21, 2018, you have the right to request a credit freeze from a consumer reporting agency, free of charge. Unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a security freeze on your credit file at each credit bureau. To place a security freeze on your credit report you must contact the credit reporting agency by phone, mail, or secure electronic means and provide proper identification of your identity. The following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a credit report for your spouse, this information must be provided for him/her as well): (1) full name, with middle initial and any suffixes; (2) Social Security number; (3) date of birth; (4) current address and any previous addresses for the past five years; and (5) any applicable incident report or complaint with a law enforcement agency or the Registry of Motor Vehicles. The request must also include a copy of a government-issued identification card and a copy of a recent utility bill or bank or insurance statement. It is essential that each copy be legible, display your name and current mailing address, and the date of issue.

Below, please find relevant contact information for the three consumer reporting agencies:

Equifax Security Freeze Experian Security Freeze TransUnion Security Freeze 1-800-349-9960 1-888-397-3742 1-888-909-8872 P.O. Box 105788 P.O. Box 9554 P.O. Box 2000 Atlanta, GA 30348 Allen, TX 75013 Chester, PA 19016 www.equifax.com www.experian.com www.transunion.com

Once you have submitted your request, the credit reporting agency must place the security freeze no later than one business day after receiving a request by phone or secure electronic means, and no later than three business days after receiving a request by mail. No later than five business days after placing the security freeze, the credit reporting agency will send you confirmation and information on how you can remove the freeze in the future.

## For Residents of Iowa

You may contact law enforcement or the Iowa Attorney General's office to report suspected incidents of identity theft. The Iowa Attorney General's Office can be reached at:

lowa Attorney General's Office, Director of Consumer Protection Division, 1305 E. Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50319, 1-515-281-5926, <a href="https://www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov">www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov</a>.

As a resident of lowa, beginning July 1, 2018, consumer reporting agencies are prohibited from charging you a fee for placing, removing, suspending or reinstating a security freeze.

A security freeze prevents potential creditors and other third parties from accessing credit reports without your approval. Typically, businesses will not open credit card or loan accounts without checking your credit history. You must contact each of the credit reporting agencies individually online or by postal mail.

There is **no cost** to place or lift a security freeze. For more information, see detailed instructions entitled "Placing a Security Freeze on Your Credit Report to Protect Yourself from Identity Theft" at the Iowa Attorney General website at <a href="https://www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov/for-consumers/general-consumer-information/identity-theft/security-freeze-identity-theft/">https://www.iowaattorneygeneral.gov/for-consumers/general-consumer-information/identity-theft/</a>.

## For Residents of Kentucky

You may also obtain information about preventing and avoiding identity theft from the Kentucky Attorney General's Office:

Office of the Attorney General of Kentucky, 700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 118 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, 1-502-696-5300, www.ag.ky.gov.

## For Residents of North Carolina

You may also obtain information about preventing and avoiding identity theft from the North Carolina Attorney General's Office:

North Carolina Attorney General's Office, Consumer Protection Division, Mail Service Center 9001, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, 1-877-5-NO-SCAM, <a href="https://www.ncdoj.gov">www.ncdoj.gov</a>.

## **For Residents of Oregon**

State laws advise you to report any suspected identity theft to law enforcement, as well as the Federal Trade Commission. Contact information for the Oregon Department of Justice is as follows:

Oregon Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, 1162 Court Street NE, Salem, OR 97301-4096, 1-877-877-9392, www.doj.state.or.us