



**Columbia Grain**  
CULTIVATING GROWTH™

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Dear <<first\_name>> <<middle\_name>> <<last\_name>> <<suffix>>:

Columbia Grain International, LLC (“Columbia Grain”) writes to notify you of a recent incident that may have involved some of your information as described below.

Columbia Grain takes the privacy of information in its care seriously. At this time, there is no evidence to suggest that any of your information was fraudulently misused. In an abundance of caution, Columbia Grain is providing you information about the incident, its response, and steps you can take to help protect your information if you feel it is necessary to do so.

**What Happened:**

On or around March 21, 2022, Columbia Grain experienced a network intrusion that affected a limited number of systems. Upon discovery, Columbia Grain immediately took steps to secure its network and engaged a third-party forensic firm to investigate the incident. On August 15, 2022, after a thorough investigation, Columbia Grain discovered that a limited amount of information may have been accessed by an unauthorized third party in connection with this incident.

At this time, there is no indication that your information has been fraudulently misused. However, Columbia Grain is providing this notification to you in an abundance of caution and so that you may take steps to safeguard your information if you feel it is necessary to do so.

**What Information Was Involved:**

The potentially accessed information may have included your first and last name, in combination with your <<b2b\_text\_2(data elements)>>.

**What We Are Doing:**

Columbia Grain has taken steps to address the incident and is committed to protecting information in its care. Upon learning of this incident, Columbia Grain immediately took steps to secure its systems and to enhance the security of its network.

**Credit Monitoring:**

As an additional safeguard for your information, Columbia Grain has secured the services of Kroll to provide identity monitoring at no cost to you for one year. Kroll is a global leader in risk mitigation and response, and their team has extensive experience helping people who have sustained an unintentional exposure of confidential data. Your identity monitoring services include Credit Monitoring, Fraud Consultation, and Identity Theft Restoration.

Additional information describing your services is included with this letter.

Due to state and federal privacy laws, Columbia Grain cannot activate your services directly. If you wish to take advantage of this complimentary identity monitoring service, you must activate yourself.

**What You Can Do:**

In addition to activating the complimentary identity monitoring service detailed within, Columbia Grain recommends that you remain vigilant in regularly reviewing and monitoring all of your account statements and credit history to guard against any unauthorized transactions or activity. If you discover any suspicious or unusual activity on any of your accounts, please promptly change your password, notify your financial institution or company if applicable, and take any additional steps needed to protect your account(s). Additionally, please report any suspicious incidents to local law enforcement and/or your state Attorney General. Please review the additional information below, which contains more information about steps you can take to help protect yourself against fraud and identity theft.

**For More Information:**

Should you have questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call our dedicated call center at [1-800-822-8222](tel:1-800-822-8222), Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Central Time, excluding major U.S. holidays or to write us at 1300 SW 5th Avenue, 29th Floor, Portland, OR 97201.

Columbia Grain takes the security of information entrusted to our care very seriously. While it is regrettable this potential exposure occurred, please be assured Columbia Grain is taking appropriate actions to rectify the situation and prevent such incidents in the future.

Sincerely,

*Jeff VanPevenage*

Jeff VanPevenage  
President & CEO

## STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT YOUR INFORMATION

### Activate Identity Monitoring

Visit <https://enroll.krollmonitoring.com> to activate and take advantage of your identity monitoring services.

You have until *<<b2b\_text\_6(activation deadline)>>* to activate your identity monitoring services.

Membership Number: *<<Membership Number s\_n>>*

For more information about Kroll and your Identity Monitoring services, you can visit [info.krollmonitoring.com](http://info.krollmonitoring.com).



## TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR IDENTITY MONITORING SERVICES

You have been provided with access to the following services from Kroll:

### Single Bureau Credit Monitoring

You will receive alerts when there are changes to your credit data—for instance, when a new line of credit is applied for in your name. If you do not recognize the activity, you'll have the option to call a Kroll fraud specialist, who will be able to help you determine if it is an indicator of identity theft.

### Fraud Consultation

You have unlimited access to consultation with a Kroll fraud specialist. Support includes showing you the most effective ways to protect your identity, explaining your rights and protections under the law, assistance with fraud alerts, and interpreting how personal information is accessed and used, including investigating suspicious activity that could be tied to an identity theft event.

### Identity Theft Restoration

If you become a victim of identity theft, an experienced Kroll licensed investigator will work on your behalf to resolve related issues. You will have access to a dedicated investigator who understands your issues and can do most of the work for you. Your investigator will be able to dig deep to uncover the scope of the identity theft, and then work to resolve it.

Kroll's activation website is only compatible with the current version or one version earlier of Chrome, Firefox, Safari and Edge.

To receive credit services, you must be over the age of 18 and have established credit in the U.S., have a Social Security number in your name, and have a U.S. residential address associated with your credit file.

### Monitor Your Accounts

We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud by reviewing your credit reports/account statements for suspicious activity and to detect errors. Under U.S. law, you are entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, TransUnion, Experian, and Equifax. To order your free credit report, visit [www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com) or call 1-877-322-8228. Once you receive your credit report, review it for discrepancies and identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting bureau.

You have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a one-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert, 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 lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any of the three credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, you 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 your express authorization. The credit 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 credit freeze 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 credit freeze on your credit report. To request a credit freeze, you will need to provide the following information:

1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., III, etc.);
2. Social Security number;
3. Date of birth;
4. Address for the prior two to five years;
5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility or telephone bill;

6. A legible photocopy of a government-issued identification card (e.g., state driver’s license or identification card); and
7. A copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft, if you are a victim of identity theft.

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

<b>TransUnion</b> 1-800-680-7289 <a href="http://www.transunion.com">www.transunion.com</a>	<b>Experian</b> 1-888-397-3742 <a href="http://www.experian.com">www.experian.com</a>	<b>Equifax</b> 1-888-298-0045 <a href="http://www.equifax.com">www.equifax.com</a>
<b>TransUnion Fraud Alert</b> P.O. Box 2000 Chester, PA 19016-2000	<b>Experian Fraud Alert</b> P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013	<b>Equifax Fraud Alert</b> P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348-5069
<b>TransUnion Credit Freeze</b> P.O. Box 160 Woodlyn, PA 19094	<b>Experian Credit Freeze</b> P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013	<b>Equifax Credit Freeze</b> P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788

#### Additional Information

You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the credit reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), or your state Attorney General. The FTC also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. The FTC may be reached at 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20580; [www.identitytheft.gov](http://www.identitytheft.gov); 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261.

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. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement, your state Attorney General, and the FTC. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

**California Residents:** Visit the California Office of Privacy Protection ([www.oag.ca.gov/privacy](http://www.oag.ca.gov/privacy)) for additional information on protection against identity theft. Office of the Attorney General of California, 1300 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, Telephone: 1-800-952-5225.

**Kentucky Residents:** Office of the Attorney General of Kentucky, 700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 118 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, [www.ag.ky.gov](http://www.ag.ky.gov), Telephone: 1-502-696-5300.

**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: (i) the consumer reporting agencies must correct or delete inaccurate, incomplete, or unverifiable information; (ii) the consumer reporting agencies may not report outdated negative information; (iii) access to your file is limited; (iv) you must give consent for credit reports to be provided to employers; (v) you may limit “prescreened” offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report; (vi) and you may seek 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 [https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504\\_cfpb\\_summary\\_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf](https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504_cfpb_summary_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf), or by writing Consumer Response Center, Room 130-A, FTC, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

**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/>.

**North Carolina Residents:** Office of the Attorney General of North Carolina, 9001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, [www.ncdoj.gov](http://www.ncdoj.gov), Telephone: 1-919-716-6400.

**Oregon Residents:** Oregon Department of Justice, 1162 Court Street NE, Salem, OR 97301-4096, [www.doj.state.or.us/](http://www.doj.state.or.us/), Telephone: 877-877-9392

**Washington, D.C. Residents:** The District of Columbia Attorney General may be contacted at 441 4th Street NW #1100, Washington, D.C. 20001; 202-727-3400, and <https://oag.dc.gov/consumer-protection>.

**All US Residents:** Identity Theft Clearinghouse, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20580, <https://consumer.ftc.gov>, 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338), TTY: 1-866-653-4261.