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VIA E-MAIL (DOJ-CPB@DOJ.NH.GOV)

Attorney General John Formella Office of the Attorney General 33 Capitol Street Concord, NH 03301

Re: Incident Notification

Dear Attorney General Formella:

We are writing on behalf of our client, Chatham Asset Management ("Chatham"), to notify you of a security incident involving one New Hampshire resident. Chatham is an investment advisor based in Chatham, New Jersey.

On June 14, 2021, Chatham identified a security incident on its computer network. Upon identifying the incident, Chatham took steps to secure its systems and commenced an investigation. Through this investigation, Chatham determined that an unauthorized party accessed or obtained certain files on its systems between June 11, 2021 and June 14, 2021. Chatham reviewed the files the unauthorized party accessed or obtained to identify individuals whose personal information was contained in them. On August 5, 2021, Chatham determined that one or more of the files contained the name and Social Security number of one New Hampshire resident.

Beginning today, September 15, 2021, Chatham is providing written notice to the New Hampshire resident by mailing a letter via United States Postal Service First-Class mail. A sample copy of the notification letter is enclosed. Chatham is offering the affected individual a complimentary, two-year membership of identity monitoring services provided by Experian.¹ Chatham also established a dedicated phone line where the individuals may obtain more information regarding the incident.

¹ This notice does not waive Chatham's objection that New Hampshire lacks personal jurisdiction over it regarding any claims related to this incident.

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To help prevent a similar incident from occurring in the future, Chatham has implemented additional security measures to enhance the security of its network and continues to provide cybersecurity training to its staff.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this incident.

Sincerely,

In

David B. Sherman Partner



<<Date>> (Format: Month Day, Year)

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Dear <<first name>>:

We are writing to inform you of an incident that involved some of your information. This notice explains the incident, measures we have taken, and some steps you may consider taking in response.

On June 14, 2021, we identified a security incident on our computer network. Upon identifying the incident, we took steps to secure our systems and commenced an investigation. Through this investigation, we determined that an unauthorized party accessed or obtained certain files on our systems between June 11, 2021 and June 14, 2021.

We reviewed the files the unauthorized party accessed or obtained to identify individuals whose personal information was contained in them. On August 5, 2021, we determined that one or more of the files contained your <
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We recommend that you remain vigilant for signs of unauthorized activity by reviewing your financial account statements and credit reports. If you see charges or activity you did not authorize, we suggest that you contact your financial institution immediately. As an added precaution, we have arranged for you to receive a complimentary two-year membership in Experian[®]'s IdentityWorksSM Credit 3B. This product provides you with identity detection and resolution of identity theft. IdentityWorksSM Credit 3B will be free to you and enrolling in this program will not hurt your credit score. For more information on identity theft prevention, additional steps you can take in response, and instructions on how to activate your complimentary two-year membership to identity monitoring services, please see the additional information provided with this letter.

We regret any inconvenience or concern this may cause you. To help prevent a similar incident from occurring in the future, we have implemented additional security measures to enhance the security of our network and continue to provide cybersecurity training to our staff. If you have any questions about this incident, please call 1-855-651-2680, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Eastern Time (excluding some U.S. holidays).

Sincerely,

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James Ruggerio Chief Operating Officer

Activate IdentityWorks Credit 3B Now in Three Easy Steps

To help protect your identity, we are offering a **complimentary two-year** membership of Experian IdentityWorksSM Credit 3B. This product helps detect possible misuse of your personal information and provides you with superior identity protection support focused on immediate identification and resolution of identity theft.

- 1. ENROLL by: <
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- 2. VISIT the Experian IdentityWorks website to enroll: <u>https://www.experianidworks.com/3bcredit</u>
- 3. PROVIDE the Activation Code: <<Activation Code s_n>>

ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING YOUR EXPERIAN IDENTITYWORKS CREDIT 3B MEMBERSHIP:

A credit card is **not** required for enrollment in Experian IdentityWorks Credit 3B. You can contact Experian **immediately without needing to enroll in the product** regarding any fraud issues. Identity Restoration specialists are available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.

Once you enroll in Experian IdentityWorks, you will have access to the following additional features:

- **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, Equifax and Transunion files for indicators of fraud.
- **Identity Restoration:** Identity Restoration specialist are immediately available to help you address credit and non-credit related fraud.
- **Experian IdentityWorks ExtendCARE**TM: You receive the same high-level of Identity Restoration support even after your Experian IdentityWorks membership has expired.
- **\$1 Million Identity Theft Insurance**:** Provides coverage for certain costs and unauthorized electronic fund transfers.

Activate your membership today at https://www.experianidworks.com/3bcredit or call 1-877-890-9332 to register with the activation code above.

What you can do to protect your information: There are additional actions you can consider taking to reduce the chances of identity theft or fraud on your account(s). Please refer to www.ExperianIDWorks.com/restoration for this information. If you have any questions about IdentityWorks, need help understanding something on your credit report or suspect that an item on your credit report may be fraudulent, please contact Experian's customer care team at 1-877-890-9332.

* Offline members will be eligible to call for additional reports quarterly after enrolling.

** 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.

ADDITIONAL STEPS YOU CAN TAKE

We remind you it is always advisable to be vigilant for incidents of fraud or identity theft by reviewing your account statements and free credit reports for any unauthorized activity over the next 12 to 24 months. You may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, once every 12 months from each of the three nationwide credit reporting companies. To order your annual free credit report, please visit <u>www.annualcreditreport.com</u> or call toll free at 1-877-322-8228. Contact information for the three nationwide credit reporting companies is as follows:

- Equifax, PO Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374, <u>www.equifax.com</u>, 1-800-685-1111
- *Experian*, PO Box 2002, Allen, TX 75013, <u>www.experian.com</u>, 1-888-397-3742
- TransUnion, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, <u>www.transunion.com</u>, 1-800-916-8800

If you believe you are the victim of identity theft or have reason to believe your personal information has been misused, you should immediately contact the Federal Trade Commission and/or the Attorney General's office in your state. You can obtain information from these sources about steps an individual can take to avoid identity theft as well as information about fraud alerts and security freezes. You should also contact your local law enforcement authorities and file a police report. Obtain a copy of the police report in case you are asked to provide copies to creditors to correct your records. Contact information for the Federal Trade Commission is as follows:

• *Federal Trade Commission*, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580, 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338), <u>www.ftc.gov/idtheft</u>

Fraud Alerts: There are two types of general fraud alerts you can place on your credit report to put your creditors on notice that you may be a victim of fraud—an initial alert and an extended alert. You may ask that an initial fraud alert be placed on your credit report if you suspect you have been, or are about to be, a victim of identity theft. An initial fraud alert stays on your credit report for one year. You may have an extended alert placed on your credit report if you have already been a victim of identity theft with the appropriate documentary proof. An extended fraud alert stays on your credit bureaus. A fraud alert is free. The credit bureau you contact must tell the other two, and all three will place an alert on their versions of your report. For those in the military who want to protect their credit while deployed, an Active Duty Military Fraud Alert lasts for one year and can be renewed for the length of your deployment. The credit bureaus will also take you off their marketing lists for pre-screened credit card offers for two years, unless you ask them not to.

Credit or Security Freezes: You have the right to put a credit freeze, also known as a security freeze, on your credit file, free of charge, which makes it more difficult for identity thieves to open new accounts in your name. That's because most creditors need to see your credit report before they approve a new account. If they can't see your report, they may not extend the credit.

How do I place a freeze on my credit reports? There is no fee to place or lift a security freeze. Unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a security freeze on your credit file at each credit reporting company. For information and instructions to place a security freeze, contact each of the credit reporting agencies at the addresses below:

- Experian Security Freeze, PO Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013, <u>www.experian.com</u>
- TransUnion Security Freeze, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, <u>www.transunion.com</u>
- Equifax Security Freeze, PO Box 105788, Atlanta, GA 30348, www.equifax.com

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 bureau will provide you with 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.

How do I lift a freeze? A freeze remains in place until you ask the credit bureau to temporarily lift it or remove it altogether. If the request is made online or by phone, a credit bureau must lift a freeze within one hour. If the request is made by mail, then the bureau must lift the freeze no later than three business days after getting your request.

If you opt for a temporary lift because you are applying for credit or a job, and you can find out which credit bureau the business will contact for your file, you can save some time by lifting the freeze only at that particular credit bureau. Otherwise, you need to make the request with all three credit bureaus.

Chatham Asset Management's address is 26 Main Street, Suite 204, Chatham, NJ 07928 and its phone number is 973-701-2424.

Additional Information for Residents of the Following States

New York: You may contact and obtain information from these state agencies:

- New York Department of State Division of Consumer Protection, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231-0001, 518-474-8583 / 1-800-697-1220, http://www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection; and
- New York State Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341, 1-800-771-7755, https://ag.ny.gov

Rhode Island: This incident involves one individual in Rhode Island. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to file and obtain a copy of a police report. You also have the right to request a security freeze, as described above. You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: Rhode Island Attorney General's Office, 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903, 1-401-274-4400, <u>www.riag.ri.gov</u>