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## Via Overnight Mail

Joseph Foster Office of the Attorney General 33 Capitol St Concord, NH 03301

Re:

Incident Notification

Dear Attorney General Foster:

We are writing on behalf of our client, Temp-Tations Home LLC d/b/a "Tara at Home", to notify you of a security incident involving 83 New Hampshire residents.

On December 12, 2017, we were notified by the vendor that hosts our e-commerce system, including the <a href="www.tarahome.com">www.tarahome.com</a> website, that an unknown third party had compromised individual online user accounts. We immediately began an investigation and took prompt action to address and stop the unauthorized activity. The investigation determined that the unknown third party accessed certain online user accounts and may have accessed user accounts' name, payment card number, and the expiration date from payment cards used on the Tara at Home website from August 1, 2017 to December 1, 2017.

On April 16, 2018, Temp-Tations will begin mailing written notifications to potentially affected individuals, including 83 New Hampshire residents who are being notified of the incident in writing in accordance with N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 359-C:20 in substantially the same form as

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the enclosed letter. Temp-Tations has provided a telephone number for potentially affected individuals to call with any questions they may have.

Temp-Tations has been working diligently to prevent any similar incident from happening in the future, including the implementation of complex passwords on user accounts and the vendor's deployment of enhanced system intrusion detection and blocking.

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

Sincerely,

Randal Gainer

Partner

Enclosure

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This report does not waive Temp-Tations' objection that New Hampshire lacks personal jurisdiction over this matter.



C/O GCG PO Box 10576 Dublin, Ohio 43017

April 16,2018

<<Mail ID>> <<FIRST NAME>> <<LAST NAME>> << ADDRESS 1>> << ADDRESS 2>> <<CITY>>>, <<STATE>> <<ZIP>>

Dear <<First name>> <<Last name>>:

At Temp-Tations Home LLC, d/b/a "Tara at Home," we understand the importance of protecting the security of your payment card information. Regrettably, this notice is to inform you about an incident involving some of your information.

On December 12, 2017, we were notified by the vendor that hosts our e-commerce system, including the www.tarahome.com website, that an unknown third party had compromised individual online user accounts. We immediately began an investigation and took prompt action to address and stop the unauthorized activity. The investigation determined that the unknown third party accessed certain online user accounts and may have accessed your name, payment card number, and the expiration date from payment cards used on the Tara at Home website from August 1, 2017 to December 1, 2017. We are notifying you because you had an online account or placed or attempted to place an order on www.taraathome.com during this time period. Your payment card(s) ending in <<XXX>> may have been affected.

We are notifying you about this incident so you can take appropriate steps to protect your payment card account. We recommend that you remain vigilant by reviewing your payment card account statements for any unauthorized activity. You should immediately report any unauthorized charges to your bank or other card issuer because the bank or other card issuer will generally reimburse fraudulent charges that are reported in a timely manner. You should also review the additional information included with this letter on steps you can take to protect yourself.

We regret any inconvenience or concern this incident may cause. Your privacy, trust, and the protection of your personal data are matters we take very seriously. Please be assured that we have been working diligently to prevent any similar incident from happening in the future, including the implementation of complex passwords on user accounts and the vendor's deployment of enhanced system intrusion detection and blocking. If you have any questions, or you need further assistance, please call 1-888-265-0233.

Sincerely,

Kelly Newcomer

Chief Operating Officer

Kelly Newcomer

## MORE INFORMATION ON WAYS TO PROTECT YOURSELF

We recommend that you remain vigilant for incidents of fraud or identity theft by reviewing your account statements and free credit reports for any unauthorized activity. 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 <a href="www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a> or call toll free at 1-877-322-8228. Contact information for the three nationwide credit reporting companies is as follows:

Experian, PO Box 2002, Allen, TX 75013, <a href="www.experian.com">www.experian.com</a>, 1-888-397-3742

TransUnion, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, <a href="www.transunion.com">www.transunion.com</a>, 1-800-916-8800

Equifax, PO Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374, <a href="www.equifax.com">www.equifax.com</a>, 1-800-685-1111

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), www.ftc.gov/idtheft

If you are a resident of Connecticut, Maryland, or North Carolina, you may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at:

Connecticut Attorney General's Office, 55 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106, 1-860-808-5318, www.ct.gov/ag

Maryland Attorney General's Office, 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202, www.oag.state.md.us, 1-888-743-0023 (toll free when calling within Maryland) (410) 576-6300 (for calls originating outside Maryland)

North Carolina Attorney General's Office, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699, www.ncdoj.gov, 1-877-566-7226

Fraud Alerts: There are two types of 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 at least 90 days. 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 report for seven years. You can place a fraud alert on your credit report by contacting any of the three national credit reporting agencies.

Credit Freezes: You may have the right to put a credit freeze, also known as a security 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 credit freeze is designed to prevent potential credit grantors from accessing your credit report without your consent. If you place a credit 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 credit freeze may delay your ability to obtain credit. In addition, you may incur fees to place, lift and/or remove a credit freeze. Credit freeze laws vary from state to state. The cost of placing, temporarily lifting, and removing a credit freeze also varies by state, generally \$5 to \$20 per action at each credit reporting company. Unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a credit freeze on your credit file at each credit reporting company. Since the instructions for how to establish a credit freeze differ from state to state, please contact the three major credit reporting companies as specified below to find out more information.

To place a security freeze on your credit report, you must send a written request to each of the three major reporting agencies by regular, certified, or overnight mail at the addresses below:

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

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 the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft

The credit reporting agencies have three (3) business days after receiving your request to place a security freeze on your credit report. The credit bureaus must also send written confirmation to you within five (5) business days and provide you with a unique personal identification number ("PIN") or password or both that can be used by you to authorize the removal or lifting of the security freeze.

To lift the security freeze in order to allow a specific entity or individual access to your credit report, you must call or send a written request to the credit reporting agencies by mail and include proper identification (name, address, and Social Security number) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze as well as the identity of those entities or individuals you would like to receive your credit report or the specific period of time you want the credit report available. The credit reporting agencies have three (3) business days after receiving your request to lift the security freeze for those identified entities or for the specified period of time.

To remove the security freeze, you must send a written request to each of the three credit bureaus by mail and include proper identification (name, address, and Social Security number) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze. The credit bureaus have three (3) business days after receiving your request to remove the security freeze.

Fair Credit Reporting Act: You also have rights under the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act, which promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. The FTC has published a list of the primary rights created by the FCRA (https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/pdf-0096-fair-credit-reporting-act.pdf), and that article refers individuals seeking more information to visit www.ftc.gov/credit. The FTC's list of FCRA rights includes:

- You have the right to receive a copy of your credit report. The copy of your report must contain all the information in your file at the time of your request.
- Each of the nationwide credit reporting companies Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion is required to provide you with a free copy of your credit report, at your request, once every 12 months.
- You are also entitled to a free report if a company takes adverse action against you, like denying your application for credit, insurance, or employment, and you ask for your report within 60 days of receiving notice of the action. The notice will give you the name, address, and phone number of the credit reporting company. You're also entitled to one free report a year if you're unemployed and plan to look for a job within 60 days; if you're on welfare; or if your report is inaccurate because of fraud, including identity theft.
- You have the right to ask for a credit score.
- You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information.
- 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. And you must give your consent for reports to be provided to employers.
- You may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report.
- You may seek damages from violators.
- Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.