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# VIA U.S. MAIL

Consumer Protection Bureau
Office of the New Hampshire Attorney General
33 Capitol Street
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Notice of Data Event

Dear Sir or Madam:

We represent Aetna Bridge Company ("ABC") located at 100 Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 100, Warwick, RI 02888, and writes to notify your office of an incident that may affect the security of certain personal information relating to one (1) New Hampshire resident. This notice will be supplemented with any new significant facts learned subsequent to its submission. By providing this notice, ABC does not waive any rights or defenses regarding the applicability of New Hampshire law, the applicability of the New Hampshire data event notification statute, or personal jurisdiction.

## Nature of the Data Event

On or about March 14, 2022, ABC identified suspicious activity related to certain systems within its environment. ABC immediately took steps to secure their network, and launched an investigation, with the assistance of third-party forensic specialists to determine the nature and scope of the activity. Through the investigation, ABC determined that an unknown actor gained access to certain files on March 14, 2022. As such, ABC then worked with data specialists to conduct a comprehensive review of information stored on the impacted systems to determine what information, if any, was affected and to whom the information related. Once complete, ABC then conducted a time-intensive manual review of their records to determine the identities and contact information for potentially impacted individual for purposes of providing notice.

The information that could have been subject to unauthorized access includes name and Social Security number.

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## **Notice to New Hampshire Resident**

On or about May, 16, 2022, ABC provided written notice of this incident to one (1) New Hampshire resident. Written notice is being provided in substantially the same form as the letter attached here as *Exhibit A*.

## Other Steps Taken and To Be Taken

Upon discovering the event, ABC moved quickly to investigate and respond to the incident, assess the security of ABC systems, and identify potentially affected individuals. Further, ABC notified federal law enforcement regarding the event. ABC is also working to implement additional safeguards and training to its employees. ABC is providing access to credit monitoring services for twelve (12) months, through Kroll, to individuals whose personal information was potentially affected by this incident, at no cost to these individuals.

Additionally, ABC is providing impacted individuals with guidance on how to better protect against identity theft and fraud, including advising individuals to report any suspected incidents of identity theft or fraud to their credit card company and/or bank. ABC is providing individuals with information on how to place a fraud alert and security freeze on one's credit file, the contact details for the national consumer reporting agencies, information on how to obtain a free credit report, a reminder to remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by reviewing account statements and monitoring free credit reports, and encouragement to contact the Federal Trade Commission, their state Attorney General, and law enforcement to report attempted or actual identity theft and fraud.

ABC is providing written notice of this incident to relevant state regulators, as necessary.

#### **Contact Information**

Should you have any questions regarding this notification or other aspects of the data security event, please contact us at (267) 930-4888.

Very truly yours,

Richard Aponte-Boyd of MULLEN COUGHLIN LLC

RAB/kzf Enclosure

# **EXHIBIT A**



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

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<<address_2>>
<<city>>, <<state_province>> <<postal_code>>
<<country>>
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#### NOTICE OF SECURITY INCIDENT

Dear <<first name>> <<middle name>> <<last name>> <<suffix>>,

Aetna Bridge Company ("ABC") writes to inform you of a recent event that may impact the privacy of some of your information. We are unaware of any attempted or actual misuse of your information at this time, but we are providing you with this letter as a precaution, to inform you of the event, our response, and steps you may take to help protect your information, should you feel it is necessary to do so.

What Happened? On March 14, 2022, ABC identified suspicious activity related to certain systems within our environment. We immediately took steps to secure our network, and launched an investigation, with the assistance of third-party forensic specialists to determine the nature and scope of the activity. Through the investigation, we determined that an unknown actor gained access to certain files on March 14, 2022. As such, we then worked with data specialists to conduct a comprehensive review of information stored on the impacted systems to determine what information, if any, was affected and to whom the information related. Once complete, we then conducted a time-intensive manual review of our records to determine the identities and contact information for potentially impacted individuals. We completed our review on or around May 3, 2022.

What Information Was Involved? Our review determined that the following types of information were present in the affected systems and could have been impacted by the unknown actor: your << b2b\_text\_1(name, data elements)>>>.

What We Are Doing. The confidentiality, privacy, and security of information within our care is among ABC's highest priorities. Upon learning of the event, we took immediate steps to secure our environment and investigate the activity. We commenced an investigation that included working with third-party forensic specialists to understand the nature and scope of the event. We also notified federal law enforcement about this event and are cooperating with their investigation. Although ABC had policies and procedures surrounding data security in place at the time of the incident, as part of our ongoing commitment to the security of information, we are also reviewing and improving existing policies and procedures.

Although we do not have any evidence of identity theft or fraud as a result of this incident, we are offering you access to identity monitoring services through Kroll for 12 months as an added precaution at no cost. 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. If you wish to avail yourself of these services, you will need to activate using the instruction enclosed with this letter, as we are unable to activate them on your behalf.

What You Can Do. We encourage you to remain vigilant against incidents of identity theft and fraud and to review your account statements and monitor your free credit reports for suspicious activity and to detect errors. We also encourage you to review the enclosed *Steps You Can Take to Help Protect Personal Information*, which contains information on what you can do to safeguard against possible misuse of your information. You may also activate the complimentary identity monitoring services we are offering to you.

For More Information. We understand that you may have questions that are not answered in this letter. If you have additional questions, you may call our dedicated assistance line at 1-???-????, available Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. EST (excluding U.S. holidays). You may also write to ABC at 100 Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 100, Warwick, RI 02888.

Sincerely, Aetna Bridge Company

#### STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO HELP PROTECT PERSONAL INFORMATION

#### **Activate in Identity Monitoring**

To help relieve concerns and restore confidence following this incident, we have 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.

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.

Additional information describing your services is included with this letter.



#### 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**

Under U.S. law, a consumer is entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. To order your free credit report, visit <a href="https://www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a> or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also directly contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below to request a free copy of your credit report.

Consumers have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit 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 three major credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, consumers 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 the consumer's 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 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 credit freeze on your credit report. To request a security freeze, you will need to provide the following information:

- 1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.);
- 2. Social Security number;
- 3. Date of birth;
- 4. Addresses for the prior two to 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, etc.); 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 credit freeze, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit- report-services/	https://www.experian.com/help/	https://www.transunion.com/credit- help
888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	833-395-6938
Equifax Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 105069 Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	Experian Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	TransUnion Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016
Equifax Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	Experian Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	TransUnion Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 160, Woodlyn, PA 19094

## **Additional Information**

You may further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission may be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580; <a href="www.identitytheft.gov">www.identitytheft.gov</a>; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and 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. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement and your state Attorney General. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

For District of Columbia residents, the District of Columbia Attorney General may be contacted at: 400 6th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001; 202-727-3400; and oag@dc.gov.

For Maryland residents, the Maryland Attorney General may be contacted at: 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202; 1-410-528-8662 or 1-888-743-0023; and <a href="https://www.oag.state.md.us">www.oag.state.md.us</a>. ABC is located at 100 Jefferson Boulevard, Suite 100, Warwick, RI 02888.

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 bureaus 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 damages from violator. 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 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 New York residents, the New York Attorney General may be contacted at: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; 1-800-771-7755; or <a href="https://ag.ny.gov/">https://ag.ny.gov/</a>.

For North Carolina residents, the North Carolina Attorney General may be contacted at: 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001; 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6000; and <a href="https://www.ncdoj.gov">www.ncdoj.gov</a>.

For Rhode Island residents, the Rhode Island Attorney General may be reached at: 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903; <a href="www.riag.ri.gov">www.riag.ri.gov</a>; and 1-401-274-4400. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. There are ## Rhode Island residents impacted by this incident.