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VIA EMAIL – DOJ-CPB@doj.nh.gov and Federal Express

The Honorable John Formella
Attorney General of the State of New Hampshire
Office of the Attorney General
33 Capitol Street
Concord, NH 03301

RE: Reporting of Security Incident Pursuant to N.H. Rev. Stat. § 359-C:20

Dear Attorney General Formella:

We are writing on behalf of Clear Street Management LLC (the “Company”) to advise you of a data exposure involving the personal information of 1 New Hampshire resident. The personal information was provided by an employee or contractor of the Company and included: name, address, phone number, driver’s license information, and Social Security number. The file did not contain any financial account information.

On June 25, 2021, an external malicious actor gained access to the Company’s network via vulnerability in a Fortinet VPN appliance used by certain Company employees for remote access, and over the next two days, accessed various types of data and ultimately deployed ransomware on several Company systems.

This activity was detected the morning of June 28, 2021. Access to the affected network was terminated and remediation actions were immediately undertaken. The Company engaged a nationally-known forensics firm who deployed investigative software and began the triage process. Forensics investigation identified the vector used to gain access, the systems that were accessed, and the files and directories accessed by the malicious actor. Also, forensics investigation identified that a limited amount of data was apparently exfiltrated from the network by the attacker and further identified potentially affected files and folders. At that point, the Company commenced a review of those files and folders to determine whether personal information was accessed by the malicious actor, and identify affected individuals. The systems implicated were older systems that have not been in regular use by the Company since the start of the COVID pandemic. Those systems that were subject to the ransomware attack were either not critical operating systems or had backups available. No ransom was paid.

As part of the remediation process, the Company reset all credentials stored in active directory including system accounts, patched the Fortinet appliance, and began a comprehensive review of attacker activities. The Company is also in process of implementing other security measures throughout the enterprise, including replacing all employee-owned devices with corporate-issued devices and requiring that all remote work be conducted using corporate-issued devices only.

The Company is not aware of any acquisition, or misuse of the personal information of the New Hampshire resident at this time. However, the Company is sending the attached notice to the affected New Hampshire resident on August 12, 2021, and the Company has arranged to make credit monitoring and identity protection services by IDX available to them at no cost for twenty-four (24) months from the customer's date of enrollment. This includes access to assist individuals with credit restoration and credit monitoring services as described in the attached notice.

Please contact the undersigned at cjarose@mintz.com or 617-348-1732 should you need further information or have any additional questions. By providing this notice, the Company does not waive any rights or defenses regarding the applicability of New Hampshire law or personal jurisdiction.

Sincerely,

Cynthia J. Larose

Attachment

10300 SW Greenburg
Rd. Suite 570
Portland, OR 97223

To Enroll, Please Call:
1-800-939-4170
Or Visit:
[https://app.idx.us/account-
creation/protect](https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect)
Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXXXXX>>

<<First Name>> <<Last Name>>
<<Address1>> <<Address2>>
<<City>>, <<State>> <<Zip>>

August 12, 2021

Notice of Data Breach

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>,

What Happened

Clear Street Management LLC (“Clear Street”) has discovered that an unknown malicious actor gained access to part of Clear Street’s network and may have had access to certain files, including some of your personal information. We are writing to provide you with information regarding this incident.

On June 28, 2021, we discovered that a malicious actor exploited a vulnerability to gain access to several Clear Street systems as well as various network resources. The activity was detected on the morning of June 28, 2021 and access was immediately terminated and remediation actions undertaken. Clear Street engaged a nationally-known forensics firm to determine the nature and scope of the intrusion. We continue to monitor, but at this time, there is no evidence to suggest that there has been any attempt to misuse any of the information.

What Information Was Involved

The following personal information may have been involved in the incident: <<Variable Data 1>>.

What We Are Doing

We are working to improve security and mitigate risk to protect from further types of attacks. As part of the process, we reset all credentials, applied software patches, and began a comprehensive review of attacker activities. We are also implementing additional safeguards and are continuing with our technical investigation and evaluation of risk mitigation activities to implement further security measures.

In addition, we are offering all potentially impacted individuals identity theft protection services through IDX, the data breach and recovery services expert. IDX identity protection services include: 24 months of credit and CyberScan monitoring, a \$1,000,000 insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed ID theft recovery services. With this protection, IDX will help you resolve issues if your identity is compromised. We are offering these services to comply with law, and in states where laws do not require that we provide such services, we have determined that all potentially impacted individuals receive these services, regardless of your state of residence.

What You Can Do

We encourage you to contact IDX with any questions and to enroll in free identity protection services by calling 1-800939-4170 or going to <https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect> and using the Enrollment Code provided above. IDX

representatives are available Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM Eastern Time. Please note the deadline to enroll is November 12, 2021.

Again, at this time, there is no evidence that your information has been misused. However, we encourage you to take full advantage of this service offering.

For More Information

You will find detailed instructions for enrollment on the enclosed Additional Information document. Also, you will need to reference the enrollment code at the top of this letter when calling or enrolling online, so please do not discard this letter.

Please call 1-800-939-4170 or go to <https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect> for assistance or for any additional questions you may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Aytan Benaderet", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Aytan Benaderet

(Enclosure)

Additional Information

1. Website and Enrollment. Go to <https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect> and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code provided at the top of the letter.

2. Activate the credit monitoring provided as part of your IDX identity protection membership. The monitoring included in the membership must be activated to be effective. Note: You must have established credit and access to a computer and the internet to use this service. If you need assistance, IDX will be able to assist you.

3. Telephone. Contact IDX at 1-800-939-4170 to gain additional information about this event and speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

4. Review your credit reports. It is always a good practice to be vigilant for incidents of fraud by reviewing account statements and monitoring credit reports. Under federal law, you also are entitled every 12 months to one free copy of your credit report from each of the three major credit reporting companies. To obtain a free annual credit report, go to www.annualcreditreport.com or call 1-877-322-8228. You may wish to stagger your requests so that you receive a free report by one of the three credit bureaus every four months.

If you discover any suspicious items and have enrolled in IDX identity protection, notify them immediately by calling or by logging into the IDX website and filing a request for help.

If you file a request for help or report suspicious activity, you will be contacted by a member of our ID Care team who will help you determine the cause of the suspicious items. In the unlikely event that you fall victim to identity theft as a consequence of this incident, you will be assigned an ID Care Specialist who will work on your behalf to identify, stop and reverse the damage quickly.

You should also know that you have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity fraud. Please note that in order to file a crime report or incident report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some kind of proof that you have been a victim. A police report is often required to dispute fraudulent items. You can report suspected incidents of identity theft to local law enforcement or to the Attorney General.

5. Place Fraud Alerts with the three credit bureaus. If you choose to place a fraud alert, we recommend you do this after activating your credit monitoring. You can place a fraud alert at one of the three major credit bureaus by phone and also via Experian's or Equifax's website. A fraud alert tells creditors to follow certain procedures, including contacting you, before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. For that reason, placing a fraud alert can protect you, but also may delay you when you seek to obtain credit. The contact information for all three bureaus is as follows:

Credit Bureaus

Equifax Fraud Reporting
1-866-349-5191 P.O.
Box 105069 Atlanta,
GA 30348-5069
www.equifax.com

Experian Fraud Reporting
1-888-397-3742
P.O. Box 9554
Allen, TX 75013
www.experian.com

TransUnion Fraud Reporting
1-800-680-7289
P.O. Box 2000
Chester, PA 19022-2000
www.transunion.com

It is necessary to contact only ONE of these bureaus and use only ONE of these methods. As soon as one of the three bureaus confirms your fraud alert, the others are notified to place alerts on their records as well. You will receive confirmation letters in the mail and will then be able to order all three credit reports, free of charge, for your review. An initial fraud alert will last for one year.

Please Note: No one is allowed to place a fraud alert on your credit report except you.

6. Security Freeze. You have the right to put a security freeze on your credit file, so that no new credit can be opened in your name without the use of a PIN that is issued to you when you initiate a freeze. If you place a security freeze on your credit

file, 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. *Unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a security freeze on your credit file at each credit reporting agency.* Federal and state laws prohibit charges for placing, temporarily lifting, or removing a security freeze.

The following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a security freeze for your spouse, this information must be provided for your spouse 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 (5) 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.

7. You can obtain additional information about the steps you can take to avoid identity theft from the following agencies. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them.

California Residents: Visit the California Office of Privacy Protection (www.oag.ca.gov/privacy) for additional information on protection against identity theft.

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

Maryland Residents: Office of the Attorney General of Maryland, Consumer Protection Division 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202, www.oag.state.md.us/Consumer, Telephone: 1-888-743-0023.

Massachusetts Residents: You have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it.

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 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; 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 a 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. You can review your 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.

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, Telephone: 1-919-716-6400.

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

Rhode Island Residents: Office of the Attorney General, 150 South Main Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, www.riag.ri.gov, Telephone: 401-274-4400

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

