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**VIA U.S. MAIL**

Attorney General Gordon MacDonald  
Office of the Attorney General  
33 Capitol Street  
Concord, NH 03301

**Re: KuberneoCPA – Incident Notification**

Dear Attorney General MacDonald:

McDonald Hopkins PLC represents KuberneoCPA (“Kuberneo”). I am writing to provide notification of an incident at Kuberneo that may affect the security of personal information of three (3) New Hampshire residents. Kuberneo’s investigation is ongoing, and this notification will be supplemented with any new or significant facts or findings subsequent to this submission, if any. By providing this notice, Kuberneo does not waive any rights or defenses regarding the applicability of New Hampshire law or personal jurisdiction.

Kuberneo learned recently that an unauthorized party temporarily obtained access to a limited number of Kuberneo employee email accounts between March 31, 2020, and April 25, 2020. Upon learning of this issue, Kuberneo immediately secured these accounts and commenced a prompt and thorough investigation. Kuberneo worked very closely with external cybersecurity professionals to perform an extensive forensic investigation and manual review of documents in these accounts. While Kuberneo has no reason to believe at this time that any personal information was actually accessed, Kuberneo discovered on December 10, 2020 that the compromised email accounts contained a limited amount of personal information. The information included the affected residents’ full names and Social Security numbers.

Kuberneo has no evidence that any of the information has been misused. Out of an abundance of caution, Kuberneo wanted to inform you (and the affected residents) of the incident and to explain the steps that it is taking to help safeguard the impacted residents against identity fraud. Kuberneo is providing the affected residents with written notification of this incident commencing on or about December 21, 2020 in substantially the same form as the letter attached hereto. Kuberneo is providing the residents with 12 months of credit monitoring, and is advising the affected residents to always remain vigilant in reviewing financial account statements for fraudulent or irregular activity on a regular basis. Kuberneo is advising the affected residents about the process for placing a fraud alert and/or security freeze on their credit

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files and obtaining free credit reports. The affected residents are also being provided with the contact information for the consumer reporting agencies and the Federal Trade Commission.

At Kuberneo, protecting the privacy of personal information is a top priority. Kuberneo is committed to maintaining the privacy of personal information in its possession and has taken many precautions to safeguard it. Kuberneo continually evaluates and modifies its practices to enhance the security and privacy of the personal information it maintains.

Should you have any questions regarding this notification, please contact me at (248) 220-1354 or [jgiszczak@mcdonaldhopkins.com](mailto:jgiszczak@mcdonaldhopkins.com). Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



James J. Giszczak

Encl.



C/O IDX  
10300 SW Greenburg Rd. Suite 570  
Portland, OR 97223

To Enroll, Please Call:

Or Visit:

Enrollment Code:

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Dear [Redacted]:

We are writing with important information regarding a recent security incident. The privacy and security of the personal information we maintain is of the utmost importance to KuberneoCPA ("Kuberneo"). As such, we wanted to provide you with information about the incident, explain the services we are making available to you, and let you know that we continue to take significant measures to protect your information.

What Happened?

We recently learned that an unauthorized party obtained access to a limited number of Kuberneo employee email accounts.

What We Are Doing.

Upon learning of the issue, we immediately commenced a prompt and thorough investigation. As part of our investigation, we have been working very closely with external cybersecurity professionals experienced in handling these types of incidents. After an extensive forensic investigation and manual document review, we discovered on December 10, 2020, that the impacted email accounts that were accessed between March 31, 2020, and April 25, 2020, contained some of your personal information. We have no evidence that any of the information has been misused. Nevertheless, out of an abundance of caution, we want to make you aware of the incident.

What Information Was Involved?

The impacted email accounts that were accessed contained some of your personal information, including your [Redacted].

What You Can Do.

To protect you from potential misuse of your information, we are offering a complimentary one-year membership of identity theft protection services through IDX, the data breach and recovery services expert. IDX identity protection services include: 12 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.

This letter also provides other precautionary measures you can take to protect your personal information, including placing a Fraud Alert and/or Security Freeze on your credit files, and/or obtaining a free credit report. Additionally, you should always remain vigilant in reviewing your financial account statements and credit reports for fraudulent or irregular activity on a regular basis.

For More Information.

Please accept our apologies that this incident occurred. We are committed to maintaining the privacy of personal information in our possession and have taken many precautions to safeguard it. We continually evaluate and modify our practices and internal controls to enhance the security and privacy of your personal information.

**If you have any further questions regarding this incident, please call our dedicated and confidential toll-free response line that we have set up to respond to questions at [REDACTED].** This response line is staffed with professionals familiar with this incident and knowledgeable on what you can do if you are concerned about potential misuse of your information. The response line is available Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. EST.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

- OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION -

**1. Enrolling in Complimentary 12-Month Credit Monitoring.**

- (i) **Website and Enrollment.** Go to [REDACTED] and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code provided at the top of the letter. The deadline to enroll in free IDX identity protection services is [REDACTED].
- (ii) **Activate the credit monitoring** provided as part of your IDX 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.
- (iii) **Telephone.** Contact IDX at [REDACTED] to gain additional information about this event and speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

**2. Placing a Fraud Alert on Your Credit File.**

Whether or not you choose to use the complimentary 12-month credit monitoring services, we recommend that you place an initial 1-year "fraud alert" on your credit files, at no charge. A fraud alert tells creditors to contact you personally before they open any new accounts. To place a fraud alert, call any one of the three major credit bureaus at the numbers listed below. As soon as one credit bureau confirms your fraud alert, they will notify the others.

**Equifax**  
P.O. Box 105069  
Atlanta, GA 30348  
[www.equifax.com](http://www.equifax.com)  
1-800-525-6285

**Experian**  
P.O. Box 2002  
Allen, TX 75013  
[www.experian.com](http://www.experian.com)  
1-888-397-3742

**TransUnion LLC**  
P.O. Box 2000  
Chester, PA 19016  
[www.transunion.com](http://www.transunion.com)  
1-800-680-7289

**3. Placing a Security Freeze on Your Credit File.**

If you are very concerned about becoming a victim of fraud or identity theft, you may request a "Security Freeze" be placed on your credit file, at no charge. A security freeze prohibits, with certain specific exceptions, the consumer reporting agencies from releasing your credit report or any information from it without your express authorization. You may place a security freeze on your credit report by sending a request in writing or by mail, to all three nationwide credit reporting companies. To find out more about how to place a security freeze, you can use the following contact information:

**Equifax Security Freeze**  
P.O. Box 105788  
Atlanta, GA 30348  
<https://www.freeze.equifax.com>  
1-800-685-1111

**Experian Security Freeze**  
P.O. Box 9554  
Allen, TX 75013  
<http://experian.com/freeze>  
1-888-397-3742

**TransUnion Security Freeze**  
P.O. Box 2000  
Chester, PA 19016  
<http://www.transunion.com/securityfreeze>  
1-888-909-8872

In order to place the security freeze, 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 monitoring company will send you a confirmation letter containing 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.

If your personal information has been used to file a false tax return, to open an account or to attempt to open an account in your name or to commit fraud or other crimes against you, you may file a police report in the City in which you currently reside.

If you do place a security freeze *prior* to enrolling in the credit monitoring service as described above, you will need to remove the freeze in order to sign up for the credit monitoring service. After you sign up for the credit monitoring service, you may refreeze your credit file.

#### 4. Obtaining a Free Credit Report.

Under federal law, you are entitled to one free credit report every 12 months from each of the above three major nationwide credit reporting companies. Call **1-877-322-8228** or request your free credit reports online at **[www.annualcreditreport.com](http://www.annualcreditreport.com)**. Once you receive your credit reports, review them for discrepancies. Identify any accounts you did not open or inquiries from creditors that you did not authorize. Verify all information is correct. If you have questions or notice incorrect information, contact the credit reporting company.

#### 5. Additional Helpful Resources.

Even if you do not find any suspicious activity on your initial credit reports, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends that you check your credit reports periodically. Checking your credit report periodically can help you spot problems and address them quickly.

If you find suspicious activity on your credit reports or have reason to believe your information is being misused, call your local law enforcement agency and file a police report. Be sure to obtain a copy of the police report, as many creditors will want the information it contains to absolve you of the fraudulent debts. You may also file a complaint with the FTC by contacting them on the web at [www.ftc.gov/idtheft](http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft), by phone at 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338), or by mail at Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. Your complaint will be added to the FTC's Identity Theft Data Clearinghouse, where it will be accessible to law enforcement for their investigations. In addition, you may obtain information from the FTC about fraud alerts and security freezes.

If this notice letter states that your financial account information and/or credit or debit card information was impacted, we recommend that you contact your financial institution to inquire about steps to take to protect your account, including whether you should close your account or obtain a new account number.

**New York Residents:** You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the New York Attorney General's Office: Office of the Attorney General, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341; <https://ag.ny.gov/consumer-frauds-bureau/identity-theft>; Telephone: 800-771-775 (TDD/TYY Support: 800-788-9898); Medicare Fraud Control Unit Direct Line: 212-417-5397.

**North Carolina Residents:** You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the North Carolina Attorney General's Office: Office of the Attorney General of North Carolina, Department of Justice, 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, [www.ncdoj.gov/](http://www.ncdoj.gov/), Telephone: 877-566-7226.

**Oregon Residents:** You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the Oregon Attorney General's Office: 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.