



International Chapter P.E.O. Sisterhood

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To Enroll, Please Call:
1-888-220-5816
Or Visit:
<https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect>
Enrollment Code: [XXXXXXXXXX]

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

June 14, 2023

Notice of Data Breach

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

We greatly appreciate your relationship with the International Chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood (“P.E.O.”). We respect and protect the privacy of your information, and therefore, we are writing to let you know about a data incident that potentially involved unauthorized access to information about you that P.E.O. possesses, as detailed below. We take the privacy and security of your information very seriously, and while we have no evidence to suggest any information was misused because of this incident, we are notifying you out of an abundance of caution. This letter includes information about the incident, our response, and steps you can take to help protect your information should you feel it appropriate to do so.

What Happened

On April 14, 2023, P.E.O. experienced a ransomware attack in which P.E.O.’s systems were completely shut down and locked from access. In the days following the attack, P.E.O. worked to restore the organization’s systems and return to operation. P.E.O. also engaged legal and cyber security experts to help determine the extent of the attack, including whether any information was accessible by the attackers. The investigation was unable to confirm whether the attackers stole any data or that there has been any attempt to misuse any potentially accessed information. However, you are receiving this notice because it is possible that the attackers accessed computer systems that contain information about you, as explained below.

What Information Was Involved

A lengthy investigation was completed on May 31, 2023. The investigation was unable to determine conclusively what information, if any, was actually taken by the attackers. Nevertheless, we want to alert you that the attackers may have accessed compromised systems that contained some or all of the following information: name, date of birth, social security number, home address, phone number, account number, and email address.

What We Are Doing

Immediately upon notice of the ransomware attack that disabled its computer systems, P.E.O. began efforts to restore its systems, resume operations, and conduct an investigation to determine the nature of the attack and what information, if any, could have been compromised. After determining that the attackers may have accessed information about individuals, P.E.O. began gathering necessary information to contact all individuals affected. P.E.O. also reported the incident to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Notification has not been delayed by law enforcement investigation. P.E.O. is taking additional steps to safeguard P.E.O.’s systems from similar criminal activity in the future.

In addition, we are offering identity theft protection services through IDX, A ZeroFox Company, a data breach and recovery services expert. IDX identity protection services include: <<12 months/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.

What You Can Do

As a precautionary measure, we recommend that you remain vigilant, monitor free credit reports, and report any suspicious activity or suspected incidence of identity theft to proper law enforcement authorities, including your state's Attorney General's office and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). You have the right to file or obtain a police report regarding the breach. You can obtain information from the FTC and the Consumer Reporting Agencies requesting fraud alerts and security freezes as explained below.

To report fraudulent activity with the FTC, go to IdentityTheft.gov or call 1-877-ID-THEFT (877-438-4338). Reports filed with the FTC will be added to the FTC's Identity Theft Data Clearinghouse, which is a database made available to law enforcement agencies.

We encourage you to contact IDX with any questions and to enroll in the free identity protection services by calling 1-888-220-5816 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 am - 9 pm Eastern Time. Please note the deadline to enroll is September 14, 2023.

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. IDX representatives have been fully versed on the incident and can answer questions or concerns you may have regarding protection of your personal information.

For More Information

You will find detailed instructions for enrollment on the enclosed Recommended Steps 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 1-888-220-5816 or go to <https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect> for assistance or for any additional questions you may have.

Please know that we take this incident seriously. We are committed to the protection of your privacy and personal information. We regret any inconvenience this incident may cause. We want you to know that resolving this situation has our full attention.

Sincerely,

International Chapter of the P.E.O. Sisterhood

(Enclosure)



Recommended Steps to help Protect your 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 1-888-220-5816 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.** We recommend that you remain vigilant 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. By placing a security freeze (also known as a credit freeze), someone who fraudulently acquires your personal identifying information will not be able to use that information to open new accounts or borrow money in your name. You will need to contact the three national credit reporting bureaus listed above to place the freeze. Keep in mind that when you place the freeze, you will not be able to borrow money, obtain instant credit, or get a new credit card until you temporarily lift or permanently remove the freeze. There is no cost to freeze or unfreeze your credit files.

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. Office of the Attorney General of California, 1300 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, Telephone: 1-800-952-5225.

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.

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: 1-877-877-9392

Rhode Island Residents: Office of the Attorney General, 150 South Main Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, www.riag.ri.gov, Telephone: 1-401-274-4400

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