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## Dear NVIDIA Colleague,

We recently learned during the week of December 1<sup>st</sup> that there was unauthorized access to our network, that involved a number of employee usernames and passwords, including yours. There is no indication that any other data of yours has been accessed.

Our IT team has since taken extensive measures to enhance the security capabilities of our network to protect against this type of access occurring in the future. This work was performed last weekend and included a requirement that all employees reset their passwords.

We want to remind you of the importance of following strong security practices to keep data on our network safe:

- Regularly review your bank and credit-card statements, as well as credit reports for unauthorized activity.
- If you suspect that you are a victim of ID theft or fraud, immediately contact your local police or your State Attorney General's office or the Federal Trade Commission, as well as our Security department.
- Be alert to "phishing" by those who may act like a colleague or friend and request sensitive
  information, such as passwords, social security numbers or bank account numbers. We will never
  ask for this type of information over email. And DO NOT open or download suspicious email links or
  attachments.
- Regularly change the passwords on both company and personal accounts. Avoid using the same password for more than one account.

Finally, we want to provide you with additional resources on data privacy that are attached to this email. If you have other questions or concerns please email <u>Privacy-Notification@nvidia.com</u>.

Sincerely,

Bob Worrail CIO

## **IDENTITY THEFT RESOURCES GUIDE**

<u>Free Annual Credit Report:</u> You may obtain a free copy of your credit report once every 12 months and may purchase additional copies. Call Toll-Free: 1-877-322-8228; Visit: <a href="https://www.annualcreditreport.com">https://www.annualcreditreport.com</a>; or Contact any one or more of the national consumer reporting agencies:

 Equifax:
 P.O. Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374-0241
 (800) 685-1111
 www.equifax.com

 Experian:
 P.O. Box 2002, Allen, TX 75013
 (888) 397-3742
 www.experian.com

 TransUnion:
 P. O. Box 1000, Chester, PA 19022
 (800) 888-4213
 www.transunion.com

<u>U.S. Federal Trade Commission (FTC)</u>: The FTC has helpful information about how to avoid identity theft and other protective measures. Write to: Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, H-130, Washington, D.C. 20580; Call Toll-Free: 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338); or Visit: <a href="http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft">http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft</a>

If you are a MASSACHUSETTS Resident: Under Massachusetts law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. If you are the victim of identity theft, you also have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it. Massachusetts law also allows consumers to place a security freeze on their credit reports (see below to learn how).

For Residents of IOWA, MARYLAND and NORTH CAROLINA: See below for information on fraud alerts, security freezes, and other protective steps against ID theft, and if you have any questions or concerns contact the FTC, or as applicable: Iowa's Office of the Attorney General: 1305 E. Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50319, Tel: (515) 281-5164, or <a href="www.iowa.gov/government/ag">www.iowa.gov/government/ag</a>. Iowa state law advises you to report any suspected ID theft to law enforcement or to the Attorney General; Maryland's Office of the Attorney General: 200 Saint Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202, Tel: (410) 576-6300, <a href="www.oag.state.md.us">www.oag.state.md.us</a>; North Carolina's Attorney General's Office: 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, Tel: (919) 716-6400; Fax: (919) 716-6750, or <a href="http://www.ncdoj.com">http://www.ncdoj.com</a>;

## "Fraud Alert"

You may have the right to place a fraud alert in your file to alert potential creditors that you may be a victim of identity theft. Creditors must then follow certain procedures to protect you; therefore, a fraud alert may delay your ability to obtain credit. An "initial fraud alert" stays in your file for at least 90 days. An "extended fraud alert" stays in your file for 7 years, and will require an *identity theft report* (usually, a filed police report). You may place a fraud alert by calling any one of the three national consumer reporting agencies:

Equifax: 1-800-525-6285 Experian: 1-888-397-3742 TransUnion: 1-800-680-7289

## "Security Freeze"

Some US state laws, including in Massachusetts, provide the right to place a security freeze on your credit file, which prevents credit, loans and services from being approved in your name without your consent. Using a freeze may interfere with or delay your ability to obtain credit. To place a freeze, send a request by mail to each consumer reporting agency (addresses below) with the following (if you are requesting a credit report for your spouse, this information must be provided for him/her as well): (1) Full name, with middle initial and any suffixes; (2) Social Security Number; (3) Date of Birth; (4) proof of current address (such as a utility bill or telephone bill) and list of any previous addresses for the past five years; (5) copy of a government issued identity card, and (6) copy of police report, investigative report or complaint to law enforcement regarding identity theft. The consumer reporting agency may charge a fee up to \$5.00 to place, lift, and/or remove a freeze, unless you are a victim of identity theft or the spouse of a victim, and you have submitted a valid police report relating to the identity theft incident to the consumer reporting agency. The consumer reporting agencies have 3 business days after receiving your letter to place a security freeze on your credit report. The credit bureaus must also send written confirmation to you within five business days

and provide you with a unique PIN or password 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 consumer reporting agencies by mail and include proper identification (name, address, and SSN) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze as well as the identities 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 consumer reporting agencies have three business days after receiving your request to lift the security freeze for those identified entities or 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 SSN) and the PIN number or password provided to you when you placed the security freeze. Credit bureaus have 3 business days after receiving your request to remove the freeze.

Equifax Security Freeze: P.O. Box 105788, Atlanta, Georgia 30348

Experian Security Freeze: P.O. Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013

TransUnion (Fraud Victim Assistance Division): P.O. Box 6790, Fullerton, CA 92834-6790