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Postal Endorsement Line

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#### <<Variable Data 1>>

Dear << Full Name>>,

Petco Animal Supplies Stores, Inc. ("Petco") values the security of the personal information we maintain. We are writing to inform you of a recent issue we discovered that involved some of your personal information. This notice explains the issue, the measures we have taken to address it, and some additional steps you may consider taking in response.

What Happened? We recently identified and took measures to address a setting within one of our software applications that inadvertently allowed certain files to be accessible online <<Variable Data 2>>. We discovered the issue on our own through a routine security review. After discovering the issue, we immediately took steps to correct the issue and to remove the files from further online access.

**What Information Was Involved?** We reviewed the files that were made accessible online as a result of the issue and, <<Variable Data 3>> determined that they contained your <<Breached Elements>>>.

What We Are Doing. We take this issue seriously, and we immediately corrected the application's settings after discovering the error. To help prevent a similar error in the future, we have implemented additional security measures and technical controls to enhance the security of our applications. Additionally, we are offering you a complimentary <<CM Duration>>-month credit and identity monitoring membership through Epiq. The product is completely free to you, and enrolling in this program will not hurt your credit score.

What You Can Do. We encourage you to enroll in the complimentary credit and identity monitoring services below. The instructions for enrolling are included with this letter. Additional steps you can take to protect your identity and information are also included below.

**For More Information.** We sincerely apologize for any concern this issue may cause you. If you have any questions regarding this notice, please call 855-403-1819, Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM, Eastern Time, excluding certain major U.S. holidays. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Petco Animal Supplies Stores, Inc.



</Full Name>>
Activation Code: <<ACTIVATION CODE>>
Enrollment Deadline: <<ENROLLMENT DEADLINE>>
Coverage Length: <<CM Duration>> Months

# **Epiq - Privacy Solutions ID**

3B Credit Monitoring

#### **How To Enroll:**

- 1) Visit www.privacysolutionsid.com and click "Activate Account"
- 2) Enter the following activation code, <<Activation Code>> and complete the enrollment form
- 3) Complete the identity verification process
- 4) You will receive a separate email from <a href="mailto:noreply@privacysolutions.com">noreply@privacysolutions.com</a> confirming your account has been set up successfully and will include an Access Your Account link in the body of the email that will direct you to the log-in page
- 5) Enter your log-in credentials
- 6) You will be directed to your dashboard and activation is complete!

**Privacy Solutions ID provides** three bureau credit monitoring through Equifax, credit report and score access, \$1 million identity theft insurance with \$0 deductible, ID Restoration services, and dark web monitoring. See below for more details.

## **Credit Monitoring with Alerts**

Monitors your credit file(s) for key changes, with alerts such as credit inquiries, new accounts, and public records.

## 3-Bureau Credit Score and Report<sup>1</sup>

Annual 3-Bureau VantageScore and 3-Bureau Credit Report

# SSN Monitoring (High Risk Transaction Monitoring, Real-Time Authentication Alerts, Real-Time Inquiry Alerts)

Real-time monitoring of SSNs across situations like loan applications, employment and healthcare records, tax filings, and payment platform, with alerts.

# **Dark Web Monitoring**

Searches for compromised information across the dark web, with alerts.

## **Credit Report Lock/Freeze**

Assists with blocking access to the credit file for the purposes of extending credit (with certain exceptions).

#### **Lost Wallet Assistance**

Assistance with canceling and reissuing credit and ID cards.

#### **Identity Restoration**

Dedicated ID restoration specialists who assist with ID theft recovery.

#### Up to \$1M Identity Theft Insurance<sup>2</sup>

Provides up to \$1,000,000 (\$0 deductible) Identity Theft Event Expense Reimbursement Insurance on a discovery basis. This insurance aids in the recovery of a stolen identity by helping to cover expenses normally associated with identity theft.

# **Unauthorized Electronic Funds Transfer- UEFT<sup>2</sup>**

Provides up to \$1,000,000 (\$0 deductible) Unauthorized Electronic Funds Transfer Reimbursement. This aids in the recovery of stolen funds resulting from fraudulent activity--occurrence based.

#### **Personal Info Protection**

Helps users find their exposed personal information on the surface web—specifically on people search sites and data brokers – so that the user can opt out/remove it. Helps protect members from ID theft, robo calls, stalkers, and other privacy risks.

If you need assistance with the enrollment process or have questions regarding Epiq – Privacy Solutions ID, please call directly at **866.675.2006**.

1 The credit scores provided are based on the VantageScore 3.0 model. For three-bureau VantageScore credit scores, data from Equifax®, Experian®, and TransUnion® are used respectively. Any one-bureau VantageScore uses Equifax data. Third parties use many different types of credit scores and are likely to use a different type of credit score to assess your creditworthiness. Credit monitoring from Experian and TransUnion will take several days to begin.

2 Identity Theft Insurance is underwritten by insurance company subsidiaries or affiliates of American International Group, Inc. The description herein is a summary and intended for informational purposes only and does not include all terms, conditions, and exclusions of the policies described. Please refer to the actual policies for terms, conditions, and exclusions of coverage. Coverage may not be available in all jurisdictions.

#### ADDITIONAL STEPS YOU CAN TAKE

We remind you it is always advisable to be vigilant for incidents of fraud or identity theft by reviewing your account statements and free credit reports for any unauthorized activity. You may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, once every 12 months from each of the three nationwide credit reporting companies. To order your annual free credit report, please visit <a href="https://www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a> or call toll free at 1-877-322-8228. Contact information for the three nationwide credit reporting companies is as follows:

- Equifax, PO Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374, www.equifax.com, 1-888-378-4329
- Experian, PO Box 2002, Allen, TX 75013, <u>www.experian.com</u>, 1-888-397-3742
- TransUnion, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, www.transunion.com, 1-833-799-5355

If you believe you are the victim of identity theft or have reason to believe your personal information has been misused, you should immediately contact the Federal Trade Commission and/or the Attorney General's office in your state. You can obtain information from these sources about steps an individual can take to avoid identity theft as well as information about fraud alerts and security freezes. You should also contact your local law enforcement authorities and file a police report. Obtain a copy of the police report in case you are asked to provide copies to creditors to correct your records. Contact information for the Federal Trade Commission is as follows:

• Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580, 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338), <a href="www.identitytheft.gov">www.identitytheft.gov</a>

#### Fraud Alerts and Credit or Security Freezes:

**Fraud Alerts:** There are two types of general fraud alerts you can place on your credit report to put your creditors on notice that you may be a victim of fraud—an initial alert and an extended alert. You may ask that an initial fraud alert be placed on your credit report if you suspect you have been, or are about to be, a victim of identity theft. An initial fraud alert stays on your credit report for one year. You may have an extended alert placed on your credit report if you have already been a victim of identity theft with the appropriate documentary proof. An extended fraud alert stays on your credit report for seven years.

To place a fraud alert on your credit reports, contact one of the nationwide credit bureaus. A fraud alert is free. The credit bureau you contact must tell the other two, and all three will place an alert on their versions of your report.

For those in the military who want to protect their credit while deployed, an Active Duty Military Fraud Alert lasts for one year and can be renewed for the length of your deployment. The credit bureaus will also take you off their marketing lists for pre-screened credit card offers for two years, unless you ask them not to.

*Credit or Security Freezes:* You have the right to put a credit freeze, also known as a security freeze, on your credit file, free of charge, which makes it more difficult for identity thieves to open new accounts in your name. That's because most creditors need to see your credit report before they approve a new account. If they can't see your report, they may not extend the credit.

How do I place a freeze on my credit reports? There is no fee to place or lift a security freeze. Unlike a fraud alert, you must separately place a security freeze on your credit file at each credit reporting company. For information and instructions to place a security freeze, contact each of the credit reporting agencies at the addresses below:

- Experian Security Freeze, PO Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013, www.experian.com
- TransUnion Security Freeze, PO Box 2000, Chester, PA 19016, www.transunion.com
- Equifax Security Freeze, PO Box 105788, Atlanta, GA 30348, www.equifax.com

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 bureau will provide you with 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.

How do I lift a freeze? A freeze remains in place until you ask the credit bureau to temporarily lift it or remove it altogether. If the request is made online or by phone, a credit bureau must lift a freeze within one hour. If the request is made by mail, then the bureau must lift the freeze no later than three business days after getting your request.

If you opt for a temporary lift because you are applying for credit or a job, and you can find out which credit bureau the business will contact for your file, you can save some time by lifting the freeze only at that particular credit bureau. Otherwise, you need to make the request with all three credit bureaus.

Petco's headquarters is located at 10850 Via Frontera, San Diego, CA 92127 and can be contacted by phone at (888) 824-7257.

## Additional information for residents of the following states:

**Connecticut**: You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: *Connecticut Attorney General's Office*, 165 Capitol Ave, Hartford, CT 06106, 1-860-808-5318, <u>www.ct.gov/ag</u>

**District of Columbia**: You may contact and obtain information from your attorney general at: Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, 400 6th Street NW, Washington, DC 20001, 1-202-727-3400, <a href="https://www.oag.dc.gov">www.oag.dc.gov</a>

**Maryland**: You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: *Maryland Attorney General's Office*, 200 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, MD 21202, 1-888-743-0023 / 1-410-576-6300, <a href="https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/">www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/</a>

**New York**: You may contact and obtain information from these state agencies: *New York Department of State Division of Consumer Protection*, One Commerce Plaza, 99 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12231-0001, 518-474-8583 / 1-800-697-1220, <a href="http://www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection">http://www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection</a>; and *New York State Office of the Attorney General*, The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341, 1-800-771-7755, <a href="https://ag.ny.gov">https://ag.ny.gov</a>

**North Carolina**: You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: *North Carolina Attorney General's Office*, 9001 Mail Service Centre, Raleigh, NC 27699, 1-919-716-6000 / 1-877-566-7226, www.ncdoj.gov

**Rhode Island**: This incident involves <<Rhode Island Count>> individuals in Rhode Island. Under Rhode Island law, you have the right to file and obtain a copy of a police report. You also have the right to request a security freeze, as described above. You may contact and obtain information from your state attorney general at: *Rhode Island Attorney General's Office*, 150 South Main Street, Providence, RI 02903, 1-401-274-4400, www.riag.ri.gov

A Summary of Your Rights Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act: The federal Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) promotes the accuracy, fairness, and privacy of information in the files of consumer reporting agencies. There are many types of consumer reporting agencies, including credit bureaus and specialty agencies (such as agencies that sell information about check writing histories, medical records, and rental history records). Your major rights under the FCRA are summarized below. For more information, including information about additional rights, go to <a href="https://www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore">www.consumerfinance.gov/learnmore</a> or write to: Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 1700 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20552.

- You must be told if information in your file has been used against you.
- You have the right to know what is in your file.
- You have the right to ask for a credit score.
- You have the right to dispute incomplete or inaccurate information.
- 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 reports to be provided to employers.
- You may limit "prescreened" offers of credit and insurance you get based on information in your credit report.
- You have a right to place a "security freeze" on your credit report, which will prohibit a consumer reporting agency from releasing information in your credit report without your express authorization.
- You may seek damages from violators.
- Identity theft victims and active duty military personnel have additional rights.