



North Carolina Irrigation Contractors' Licensing Board

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To Whom it May Concern:

On the evening of Saturday, January 21, 2012, or sometime during the early morning hours of January 22, the offices of The NC Irrigation Contractors' Licensing Board, were broken into and the computer containing the Board's database of applicants and current and former licensees was stolen. Because the Board is required by statute to collect such information, Social Security numbers, as well as your name, address and telephone number, are part of that database. If your Social Security Number was included, you should have received a special mailing from the Board. Although I have no reason to believe that the intent of the break-in was for the purpose of identity theft, and was in all likelihood merely to steal the computer equipment, the Board is required to advise you of this occurrence. You should remain vigilant by reviewing your account statements and monitoring free credit reports. The toll free numbers for the major consumer credit reporting agencies are listed below:

Equifax: 800-766-0008
Address: Equifax Credit Information Services, Inc
P.O. Box 740241
Atlanta, GA 30374
http://www.equifax.com/cs/Satellite?pagename=contact_us

TransUnion: 800-680-7289
Address: TransUnion LLC
P.O. Box 6790
Fullerton, CA 92834
<http://www.transunion.com/personal-credit/customer-support/contact-us.page>

Experian: 888-397-3742
Address: 475 Anton Blvd.
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
<http://www.experian.com/corporate/personal-services-contacts.html>

Additional information about preventing identity theft can be obtained from the Federal Trade Commission and the North Carolina Attorney General's Office:

Federal Trade Commission
Address: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580
Telephone: (202) 326-2222
Web site: www.ftc.gov


North Carolina Attorney General's Office
Address: 9001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-9001
Telephone: (919) 716-6400 Fax: (919) 716-6750
Web site: <http://ncdoj.gov>

The Board's database was regularly backed up on other computer equipment that was not stolen, and the database was current at the time of the theft; so, your information on file with the Board has been preserved and there is no need for you to take any action. The Board is taking all reasonable steps to minimize the possibility of such loss in the future, including studying the feasibility of segregating certain personal information from the main database maintained by the Board.

If you have any specific questions for the Board, or wish to express your concerns about this theft, please call the Board's office at the number below.

My apologies for any inconvenience that this situation may cause you.

Sincerely,



Barbara Geiger
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