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VIA E-MAIL (CONSUMER@AG.IOWA.GOV)

Consumer Protection Division
Security Breach Notifications
Office of the Attorney General of Iowa
1305 E. Walnut Street
Des Moines, IA 50319-0106

Re: Incident Notification

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing on behalf of our client, Brandt Equities LP, to notify your office of a cybersecurity event involving Iowa residents.

Brandt Equities LP identified unusual activity within its network. Upon identifying the activity, Brandt Equities LP immediately took steps to secure the network and commenced an investigation. A cybersecurity firm that has assisted other companies in addressing similar situations was engaged to assist. The investigation determined that there was unauthorized access to the network between November 8, 2025 and November 12, 2025, and again between November 20, 2025 and November 22, 2025. During these periods of unauthorized access, copies of certain files were taken. Brandt Equities LP reviewed a list of those files and, on February 6, 2026, determined that one or more files contained the name, Social Security number, and driver's license number of 1,224 Iowa residents.

On March 17, 2026, Brandt Equities LP began mailing notification letters via U.S. First-Class mail to the Iowa residents whose information was involved. A copy of the notification is attached. Brandt Equities LP is offering the residents one year of complimentary credit monitoring and identity theft protection services through Equifax.

To protect against an incident like this happening again, Brandt Equities LP is taking steps to enhance already existing security measures.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Ryan Christian

Ryan Christian
Partner

Brandt Equities LP
Secure Processing Center
P.O. Box 3826
Suwanee, GA 30024

Postal Endorsement Line
<<Full Name>>
<<Address 1>>
<<Address 2>>
<<Address 3>>
<<City>>, <<State>> <<Zip>>
<<Country>>
***Postal IMB Barcode

<<Date>>

Dear <<Full Name >>:

Brandt Equities LP experienced security incidents that involved some of your personal information. This notice explains the incidents, the measures we have taken, and some additional steps you may consider taking.

We identified unusual activity in our network. Upon identifying the activity, we immediately took steps to secure our network and commenced an investigation. A cybersecurity firm that has assisted other companies in addressing similar situations was engaged to assist. The investigation determined there was unauthorized access to the network between November 8, 2025, and November 12, 2025, and again between November 20, 2025 and November 22, 2025. During these periods of unauthorized access, copies of certain files were taken. On February 6, 2026, we determined that one or more files contained your name along with your Social Security number and/or driver's license number.

We have arranged for you to receive complimentary <<CM Duration>>month membership with **Epiq - Privacy Solutions ID**. This product helps detect any misuse of your personal information and provides you with identity protection services that focus on immediate identification and resolution of any instance of identity theft. **Epiq - Privacy Solutions ID** is at no cost to you, and enrolling in this program will not affect your credit score. In addition, 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. For more information on **Epiq - Privacy Solutions ID**, including instructions on how to activate your complimentary <<CM Duration>> month membership, please reference the enclosed information.

We regret any inconvenience or concern these incidents may cause. We are taking steps to enhance our existing security measures. If you have any questions, please call 844-425-3643, Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET.

Sincerely,
Brandt Equities LP

<<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 noreply@privacysolutions.com 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!

Product Features:

3-Bureau Credit Monitoring with Alerts

Monitors your credit file(s) with each of the 3 Credit Bureaus for key changes, with alerts such as credit inquiries, new accounts, and public records.

VantageScore® 3.0 Credit Score with Score Tracker[1]

1-Bureau VantageScore®3.0 (monthly) and Credit Score Tracker.

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

Detect and prevent common identity theft events outside of what is on your credit report. Real-time monitoring of SSNs across situations like loan applications, employment and healthcare records, tax filings, online document signings and payment platforms, with alerts.

Dark Web Monitoring

Scans millions of servers, online chat rooms, message boards, and websites across all sides of the web to detect fraudulent use of your personal information, with alerts.

Change of Address Monitoring

Monitors the National Change of Address (NCOA) database and the U.S. Postal Service records to catch unauthorized changes to users' current or past addresses.

Credit Protection

3-Bureau credit security freeze assistance with blocking access to the credit file for the purposes of extending credit (with certain exceptions).

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.

Identity Restoration & Lost Wallet Assistance

Dedicated ID restoration specialists who assist with ID theft recovery and assist with canceling and reissuing credit and ID cards.

Up to $1M Identity Theft Insurance[2]

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[2]

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).

If you need assistance with the enrollment process or have questions regarding Epiq – Privacy Solutions ID 3B Credit Monitoring, please call directly at **866.675.2006**, Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., ET.

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. Third parties use many different types of credit scores and are likely to use a different type of credit score to assess your creditworthiness.

2 Identity Theft Insurance is underwritten by insurance company subsidiaries or affiliates of American International Group, Inc. or American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida, an Assurant company. 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 www.annualcreditreport.com 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, www.experian.com, 1-888-397-3742
TransUnion, PO Box 1000, 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), www.identitytheft.gov

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
Equifax Security Freeze, PO Box 105788, Atlanta, GA 30348, www.equifax.com
TransUnion Security Freeze, PO Box 160, Woodlyn, PA 19094, www.transunion.com/credit-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 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.

Brandt Equities LP 4650 26th Avenue South, Suite E Fargo, North Dakota 58104 and can be reached at (701) 237-6000.

Additional information for residents of the following states:

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, www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/

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, http://www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection; and *New York State Office of the Attorney General,* The Capitol, Albany, NY 12224-0341, 1-800-771-7755, https://ag.ny.gov

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