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Office of the Attorney General
State of Idaho
700 W. Jefferson Street, P.O. Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720

Re: Notice of Data Security Incident

Dear Attorney General Wasden:

This notice is provided on behalf of my client, the Post Falls Police Department (PFPD). On February 19, 2022, PFPD became aware of a cyber incident limiting access to its computer network. PFPD staff immediately investigated and found files indicating certain devices on their network had been impacted by LockBit 2.0 ransomware.

Within several hours, PFPD engaged legal counsel with an expertise in cybersecurity. Legal counsel also hired a nationally-recognized cyber security and digital forensics firm to assist with the investigation so that PFPD could better understand what happened, and, more importantly, prevent something like this from happening again.

PFPD is working very closely with these teams in order to contain and eradicate any malware, communicate with the threat actor, investigate the scope of the incident, restore operations, and mitigate any resulting harm. PFPD is actively deploying Sentinel One, an endpoint detection and response tool to ensure containment. The cybercriminals claim to have removed data from PFPD's environment and have threatened to publish the data unless the ransom is paid. On February 21, 2022, the cybercriminals provided sample documents that they removed from PFPD's network. On February 22, 2022, PFPD confirmed that one of the documents identified by the threat actors contained personal information of one individual.

PFPD is also notifying the Office of Risk Management, ITS Chief Information Security Officer and ITS Chief Information Officer. PFPD has contacted the cybercriminals and, through its counsel and investigators, has communicated with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the US Secret Service, and will be cooperating with these agencies throughout the investigation. PFPD will continue to investigate the extent of the incident so that it may evaluate its notice obligations under applicable state data breach notification laws. PFPD has not suffered any interruption to its payroll processes or services and remains operational. It is PFPD's intention to keep this Office apprised of any significant developments as the investigation develops.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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