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December 31, 2020

#### **Notice of Data Breach**

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>,

CJ Allen, Inc. dba Allen Honda ("AH") is an automobile dealership located in College Station, Texas. We are writing in order to inform you of an incident that may have exposed your sensitive personal information. We take the security of your personal information seriously and want to provide you with information and resources you can use to protect your information.

## What Happened and What Information was Involved:

On September 14, 2020, AH detected suspicious activity within one of its business email accounts. AH immediately engaged third-party forensic specialists to assist AH in its analysis of any unauthorized activity. Through this investigation, it was determined that this email account was compromised by an unauthorized third party on or around September 10, 2020. The investigation also gleaned that the unauthorized activity was most likely in furtherance of separate financial gain, which was not related to any of your sensitive information.

Although we have found no evidence that your information has been specifically accessed for misuse, it is possible that your name, mailing address, date of birth, driver's license, and/or social security number could have been exposed. This information was located in the email mailbox of the compromised account. A review of the activity of the unauthorized actor did not reveal any specific access to this information.

As of this writing, AH has not received any reports of related identity theft since the date of the incident (September 10, 2020 to present).

# What We Are Doing:

Upon detecting this suspicious activity, we moved quickly to initiate a response, which included conducting an investigation with the assistance of third-party forensic specialists and confirming the security of our network environment. We secured the compromised email account, and have ensured that no further unauthorized activity has continued. We have reviewed and altered our policies and procedures relating to the security of our systems and servers, as well as our information life cycle management.

We value the safety of your personal information and are therefore offering credit monitoring and identity theft protection services through IDX. IDX's services include: 12 months of credit and CyberScan monitoring a \$1,000,000 insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed id theft recovery services. With this protection, IDX will help you resolve issues if your identity is compromised.

### What You Can Do:

We encourage you to contact IDX with any questions and to enroll in free IDX services by calling 1-800-939-4170 or going to <a href="https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect">https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect</a> and using the Enrollment Code provided above. IDX is available Monday through Friday 9 am - 9 pm Eastern Time. Please note the deadline to enroll is March 31, 2021.

Again, at this time, there is no evidence that your information has been misused. However, we encourage you to take full advantage of this service offering. IDX representatives have been fully versed on the incident and can answer questions or concerns you may have regarding protection of your personal information.

Enclosed hereto you will find additional information regarding the resources available to you, and the steps that you can take to further protect your personal information.

## For More Information:

We recognize that you may have questions not addressed in this letter. If you have additional questions, please call IDX services at 1-800-939-4170.

AH values the security of your personal data, and we apologize for any inconvenience that this incident has caused.

Sincerely,

Rusty Skinner General Manager

#### **Additional Information**

**Credit Reports**: You may obtain a copy of your credit report, free of charge, whether or not you suspect any unauthorized activity on your account. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report from each of the three nationwide credit reporting agencies. To order your free credit report, please visit <a href="www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a>, or call toll-free at 1-877-322-8228. You can also order your annual free credit report by mailing a completed Annual Credit Report Request Form (available at <a href="https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports">https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports</a>) to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA, 30348-5281.

Security Freeze: You also have the right to place a security freeze on your credit report. A security freeze is intended to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. To place a security freeze on your credit report, you need to make a request to each consumer reporting agency. You may make that request by certified mail, overnight mail, regular stamped mail, or by following the instructions found at the websites listed below. The following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a credit report for your spouse or a minor under the age of 16, 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) current address and any previous addresses for the past five years; and (5) any applicable incident report or complaint with a law enforcement agency or the Registry of Motor Vehicles. The request must also include a copy of a government-issued identification card and a copy of a recent utility bill or bank or insurance statement. It is essential that each copy be legible, display your name and current mailing address, and the date of issue. As of September 21, 2018, it is free to place, lift, or remove a security freeze. You may also place a security freeze for children under the age of 16. You may obtain a free security freeze by contacting any one or more of the following national consumer reporting agencies:

Equifax Security Freeze	Experian Security Freeze	TransUnion Security Freeze
P.O. Box 105788	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 160
Atlanta, GA 30348	Allen, TX 75013	Woodlyn, PA 19094
1-800-349-9960	1-888-397-3742	1-800-909-8872
https://www.equifax.com/person	www.experian.com/freeze/cent	www.transunion.com/credit-
al/credit-report-services/credit-	<u>er.html</u>	<u>freeze</u>
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Fraud Alerts: You can place fraud alerts with the three credit bureaus by phone and online with:

- Equifax (<a href="https://assets.equifax.com/assets/personal/Fraud\_Alert\_Request\_Form.pdf">https://assets.equifax.com/assets/personal/Fraud\_Alert\_Request\_Form.pdf</a>);
- TransUnion (https://www.transunion.com/fraud-alerts); or
- Experian (https://www.experian.com/fraud/center.html).

A fraud alert tells creditors to follow certain procedures, including contacting you, before they open any new accounts or change your existing accounts. For that reason, placing a fraud alert can protect you, but also may delay you when you seek to obtain credit. As of September 21, 2018, initial fraud alerts last for one year. Victims of identity theft can also get an extended fraud alert for seven years. The phone numbers for all three credit bureaus are at the bottom of this page.

Monitoring: You should always remain vigilant and monitor your accounts for suspicious or unusual activity.

**File Police Report**: You have the right to file or obtain a police report if you experience identity fraud. Please note that in order to file a crime report or incident report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide proof that you have been a victim. A police report is often required to dispute fraudulent items. You can generally report suspected incidents of identity theft to local law enforcement or to the Attorney General.

FTC and Attorneys General: You can further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, security freezes, and the steps you can take to protect yourself, by contacting the consumer reporting agencies, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General.

The Federal Trade Commission can be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580, <a href="https://www.identitytheft.gov">www.identitytheft.gov</a>, 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338), TTY: 1-866-653-4261. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. You can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. You have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that you have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

**For Colorado residents**, the Attorney General can be contacted at 1300 Broadway, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Denver, CO 80203, 1-720-508-6000, and <a href="https://www.coag.gov">www.coag.gov</a>.

**For North Carolina residents**, the Attorney General can be contacted at 9001 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-9001, 1-877-566-7226 or 1-919-716-6400, and <a href="www.ncdoj.gov">www.ncdoj.gov</a>.

**For Oregon residents**, the Attorney General can be contacted at 1162 Court Street NE, Salem, OR 97301, 1-877-877-9392, and <a href="https://www.doj.state.or.us">www.doj.state.or.us</a>.

**For Texas residents**, the Attorney General can be contacted at PO Box 12548, Austin, TX 78711, 1-800-621-0508, and <a href="https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov">www.texasattorneygeneral.gov</a>.