OPT OUT OF PRE-APPROVED CREDIT LISTS
Call: (888) 5OPTOUT (567-8688)
Removes your name from pre-approved credit lists compiled by Equifax, Experian and Trans Union.

REMOVE YOUR NAME FROM DIRECT MAIL LISTS
E-mail: www.the-dma.org
Write:
Mail Preference Services
Attn: Preference Services Manager
Direct Marketing Association
P.O. Box 3079
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163-3079

REMOVE YOUR NAME FROM TELEPHONE LISTS
E-mail: www.the-dma.org
Write:
Telephone Preference Services
Attn: Preference Services Manager
Direct Marketing Association
P.O. Box 3079
Grand Central Station
New York, NY 10163-3079
E-mail: www.e-mps.org

REPORT STOLEN OR FRAUDULENT USE OF YOUR CHECKS OR CREDIT CARDS
Contact your bank or credit card issuer and close your bank account or credit card account immediately.

GET MORE INFORMATION ON IDENTITY THEFT
Identity Theft
Resource Center
www.idtheftcenter.org
Privacy Rights Clearinghouse
www.privacyrights.org

Sample “Courtesy Notice”

(Date)

Dear (Creditor Name/Collection Agency Name):

On (date), I received your letter demanding payment of ($$ amount). I did not open this account and incur this unpaid balance. Someone, other than myself, wrongfully used my personal information to obtain a line of credit/service. Your company extended a line of credit/services to someone other than myself. Your company is a crime victim and should file a police report with the appropriate jurisdiction(s).

You are hereby notified that on (date), I filed an identity theft report with the Los Angeles Police Department. The case number (#) is ____________. For information on obtaining a copy call LAPD Records at (213) 485-XXXX.

(Closing),

(Your name and address)

Call the fraud units of each of the three credit bureaus to report Identity Theft. Ask to have a “Fraud Alert/Victim Impact” statement placed in your credit file asking that creditors call you before opening any new accounts.

Identity Theft Report-Los Angeles Police Department

An Identity Theft report shall be taken by an officer of the Los Angeles Police Department from a victim of Identity Theft when he/she resides in the City of Los Angeles. The victim of Identity Theft will receive a copy of the police report as per Penal Code §30.6(a) and will be notified by the assigned detective.

LAPD Identity Theft Hotline:
(213) 486-5920
Metropolitan Los Angeles
(213) 847-3777 ext. 2200

Produced by:
Los Angeles Police Department
Community Relations Division
Crime Prevention Unit
100 West First Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 486-8130

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Federal Agencies That Address Identity Theft

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI)
www.fbi.gov

The FBI investigates federal identity theft cases. If you believe your identity has been stolen, call your local FBI field office. Local FBI field offices are listed in the Government section of your White Pages telephone directory.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION (FTC)
www.consumer.gov/idtheft

The FTC is the federal clearinghouse for identity theft complaints. The FTC provides government agencies with the information it receives from identity theft victims. If you believe your identity has been stolen, contact the FTC at the telephone number listed below or call your local FTC field office. Local FTC field offices are listed in the Government section of your White Pages telephone directory:

Call: (877) IDTHEFT (438-4338)
TDD: (202) 326-2502
Write:
Identity Theft Clearinghouse
Federal Trade Commission
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20580

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS)
www.irs.gov/irs-ci

The IRS administers and enforces federal tax laws. If you believe someone has assumed your identity to file fraudulent federal tax returns or to commit other tax fraud, contact the IRS Criminal Investigation Informant Hotline at the telephone number listed below or call your local IRS field office. Local IRS field offices are listed in the Government section of your White Pages telephone directory. Call (800) 829-0433

CREDIT BUREAUS

EQUIFAX www.equifax.com
To order your credit report:
Call: (800) 685-1111
Write:
Equifax
P.O. Box 740241
Atlanta, GA 30374-0241

To report fraud:
Call: (800) 525-6285
Write:
Equifax
Fraud Assistance
P.O. Box 10569
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069

EXPERIAN www.experian.com
To order your credit report:
Call: (888) EXPERIAN (397-3742)
Write:
Experian
P.O. Box 2104
Allen, TX 75013-9530

TRANS UNION www.tuc.com
To order your credit report:
Call: (800) 916-8800
Write:
Trans Union
P.O. Box 34012
Fullerton, CA 92834-4012

To report fraud:
Write:
Trans Union
Fraud Victim Assistance Department
P.O. Box 6790
Fullerton, CA 92834-6790

If you have any checks stolen or bank accounts set up fraudulently, report it to the following companies:

National Check Fraud Service (843) 571-2143
TeleCheck (800) 710-9898
Cross Check (707) 586-0551
Equifax Check Systems (800) 437-5120
International Check Services (800) 526-5380
SCAN (800) 262-7771