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Date: 2/12/2013 9:39:39 AM
Subject: RE: SCDOR DATA BREACH

Dr. Bland,

My name is Chrystal Laughlin. I am currently helping constituents with questions and concerns regarding the Department of Revenue security breach. I received your e-mail from Senator Tom Young.

The information that was compromised in the security breach came from electronic tax filings. The Department of Revenue only sent letters to those taxpayers whose information was compromised. If you have never filed electronically, and would like to know why you received the letter, I would be happy to have someone research the reason.

Should you have further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 803.898.7638.

Sincerely,
Chrystal Laughlin

From: Tom Young, Jr. [mailto:tyoung@tomyounglaw.com]
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Chrystal: Can you contact Dr. Bland and assist him? Thank you! Tom

From: "James L. Bland" <jbland@bizmation.com>
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Subject: SCDOR BATA BREACH

Senator Young –

Again my sincere thanks for the updated important information that you provide on such a timely basis. I look forward to each 'issue'!

My question regarding the SCDOR relates to a comment in the recently received "SCDOR Data Breach" letter. In the first paragraph an underlined sentence reads as: **We are writing you today, first, to confirm that – as an electronic tax filer – your tax information was compromised and, second, to encourage you to take immediate steps to protect yourself against identity theft.**

At the very beginning of this escapade I did take advantage of the offer made by the State of South Carolina, to be an addition to a similar type protective service that I have had in effect for years. However, the above comment in the letter, without further clarification, leaves an unanswered question, unless I have overlooked the answer. The question has to do in the description of a taxpayer having been an "electronic tax filer." There are many taxpayers that have never filed electronically! So, what is the status of a taxpayer who has never used an electronic filing method? In that case is there any concern for a possible security breach without an electronic filing? I believe the question has a

basic germane relationship to the entire scenario.

I will greatly appreciate if someone there could provide an answer to this.

Best to you –

Jim Bland