

Ag Canada Identity Theft – Important Information from Cornerstone Credit Union

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada recently issued a letter to producers advising that their personal information was stolen due to theft of information-technology equipment from a third party delivery agent on March 30, 2008. Winnipeg Police are investigating to recover the stolen property.

The stolen IT equipment contained information collected from participants of the following programs: the Spring Credit Advance Program (SCAP), the Enhanced Spring Credit Advance Program (ESCAP), and the Advance Payments Program (APP). Producer information stored on the equipment included: name, permit book number, date of birth, address, member status, phone numbers, e-mail address, bank account number, APP identification number, and social insurance number.

Due to the security mechanisms in place on the stolen equipment, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada feel the probability of the information being accessed or misused is minimal.

Questions about this incident can be directed to Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada at 888-346-2511. Concerns about the way personal information was handled can be directed to the Federal Privacy Commissioner at 613-995-8210 or 800-282-1376.

We encourage any affected members to contact:
TransUnion (for residents outside of Quebec, call 1-800-663-9980 ET between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.) or Equifax at 1-800-865-3908