

**North Carolina Security Breach Reporting Form  
Pursuant to the Identity Theft Protection Act of 2005**

Name of Business Owning or Licensing Information Affected by the  
Breach: Link Staffing Services  
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Houston, Texas 77057-3129  
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**PLEASE SUBMIT FORM TO:**  
Consumer Protection Division  
NC Attorney General's Office  
9001 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-9001  
Telephone: (919) 716-6000  
Toll Free in NC: (877) 566-7226  
FAX: (919) 716-6050

Date Security Breach Reporting Form submitted: October 27, 2006

Date the Security Breach was discovered: September 27, 2006

Estimated number of affected individuals: 332,000 U.S. residents

Estimated number of NC residents affected: 3437

Name of business maintaining or possessing information that was the subject of the Security Breach, if the business that experienced the Security Breach is not the same entity as the business reporting the Security Breach (pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 75-65(b):

Describe the circumstances surrounding the Security Breach and state whether the information breached was in electronic or paper format: Burglars stole a computer server containing personal information for current and former employees. The information breached was in electronic form.

Regarding electronic information breached, state whether the information breached or potentially breached was password protected or encrypted in some manner. Yes. If so, please describe the security measures protecting the information: Two strong passwords protected the personal information. One strong password restricts access to the operating system. A second strong password restricts access to data stored on the server.

Describe any measures taken to prevent a similar Security Breach from occurring in the future: Personal information is being migrated to a secure central server.

Date affected NC residents were/will be notified: October 27, 2006

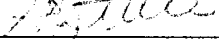
If there has been any delay in notifying affected NC residents, describe the circumstances surrounding the delay pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 75-65(a) and (c): Approximately four weeks passed between the discovery of the breach and notice to North Carolina residents. The delay was necessary to permit Link Staffing time to report the matter to the Houston Police Department, to conduct its own investigation of the breach, and to determine the method and content of notice to affected individuals.

**If the delay was pursuant to a request from law enforcement pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 75-65(c), please include the written request or the contemporaneous memorandum.**

How NC residents were/will be notified?  
(pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 75-65(e))

- written notice
- electronic notice (email)
- telephone notice
- substitute notice

**Please attach copy of the notice if in written form or a copy of any scripted notice if in telephonic form.**

Signature:  Date: October 27, 2006

Contact Person, Title: Ike Steele, President

Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

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**NOTICE OF SECURITY BREACH**

To: All Current and Former Employees of Link Staffing Services

Burglars recently broke into one of our offices and stole several pieces of equipment, including a computer server. We promptly contacted the local police department. We are cooperating in their investigation.

The names and social security numbers of our current and former employees were stored on the stolen server. Two strong passwords protected this information. We have no reason to believe that the burglars targeted the information on the stolen server, or that they have the technical capability to bypass or crack the passwords. We also have no evidence that the information on the server has been misused.

Still, your personal information might be at risk. You should consider taking the following steps: (1) Place a fraud alert on your account with the national credit bureaus (Equifax: (800)-525-6285; Experien: (888)-EXPERIEN; TransUnion: (800) 680-7289); (2) obtain and review a free copy of your credit report from the national credit bureaus; (3) monitor your financial, debit and credit card accounts for suspicious activity; and (4) visit the Federal Trade Commission's web site ([www.ftc.gov](http://www.ftc.gov)) for additional information on how to protect yourself.

For more information, contact Link Staffing Services at (1-800-848-5465), or visit our Web site ([www.linkstaffing.com](http://www.linkstaffing.com)).



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Due to a burglary, there is a possibility your name and social security number may have been compromised. For links to the national credit bureaus, visit our website at **[www.linkstaffing.com](http://www.linkstaffing.com)** Further questions call 1-800-848-5465.