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Security Breach Notification

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**Reporting Form  
 For Business, Individual or NY State Entity reporting a  
 "Breach of the Security of the System"  
 Pursuant to the Information Security Breach  
 and Notification Act (General Business Law §889-aa;  
 State Technology Law §208)**

Name of Business, Individual or State Entity University of Rochester  
 Date of Discovery of Breach: June 15, 2006  
 Estimated Number of Affected Individuals: 286  
 Date of Notification to Affected Individuals: June 27, 2006  
 Manner of Notification:  written notice  
    electronic notice (email)  
    telephone notice

Are you requesting substitute notice?  Yes  No (If yes, attach justification)

Content of Notification to Affected Individuals: Describe what happened in general terms and what kind of information was involved. Please attach copy of Notice.  
Former students' names/SSNs were inadvertently placed on publicly-accessible web page. Information was removed from page immediately upon discovery.

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UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

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Dear Student,

On June 15, 2006, we learned that your name, Social Security number and some standardized test scores were accidentally posted to a publicly accessible page on the University of Rochester Web site. We removed the information on the same day. We also found that the Web page was made accessible through the automated cache provided by the Google search engine. We immediately requested that Google remove the information from its files, and that has been done.

We have analyzed our network records and we have discovered that the University Web page containing your information was accessed only once, on June 12, 2006, by the University of Rochester graduate who reported the error. Later, it was viewed a couple of times by University employees investigating the problem. The information had been posted unintentionally by a faculty member who was backing up computer files. The file contained material on 286 students, and most of them have now graduated.

The University of Rochester takes information security very seriously and seeks to prevent occurrences like this. We sincerely regret this error.

Evidence showing the minimal access to the data on the University's network indicates a low likelihood of the access to the Google cached version as well. New York State law requires the notification of individuals whose information may have been compromised, even in instances where the likelihood of exposure is fairly low. The incident also must be reported to the New York State Attorney General, the Consumer Protection Board, and the Office of Cyber Security. We have done this.

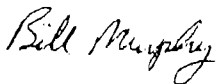
The University Security Division's Web page contains information about what you can do to prevent or respond to identify theft. We urge you to visit that page at:

[http://www.rochester.edu/TTS/security/resources/id\\_theft.html](http://www.rochester.edu/TTS/security/resources/id_theft.html)

We also have posted some Frequently Asked Questions about this occurrence on that page.

Again, we sincerely apologize for this error. If you have further questions or need more information, please contact Sharon Dickman in the University Office of Communications at (585) 275-4128 or e-mail [sdickman@rochester.edu](mailto:sdickman@rochester.edu).

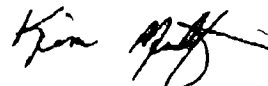
Very truly yours,



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Vice President for Communications



Nancy Speck,  
University Registrar



Kim Milford,  
Information Security Officer