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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the information compromise notification requirements of the State of North Carolina, Wells Fargo Bank hereby notifies you that we are about to give notice to approximately 16,091 residents of the State of North Carolina of a potential compromise of their Social Security numbers and mortgage loan account numbers.

A piece of computer equipment containing that information was lost in transit between two Wells Fargo locations and may have been stolen. However, if the equipment was stolen, we believe it was solely for the value of the hardware and not the information it contained. We are aware of no evidence that any of the information contained on this equipment has actually been accessed, much less misused.

We have been working with law enforcement in attempting to recover this equipment, and they had requested us not to notify customers for fear that doing so might jeopardize their investigation. We were released from that request on May 1. We expect to start mailing consumer notices on May 5.

Please contact the undersigned if you require any further information regarding this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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