Creditor Dispute – Fraud Department

Identity Theft victims must notify the creditor <u>IN WRITING</u> that an account was opened fraudulently. Prepare a letter with the following information.

- 1) Date
- 2) Creditor Address

Contact the creditor and request the complete mailing address for sending a dispute to their Fraud Department.

- 3) Identify your letter: Creditor Dispute Fraud Department
- 4) Identify complete account number on your letter
- 5) State reason for Creditor Dispute letter
 - -Victim of Identity Theft (Attach a copy of the police report)
 - -Fraud Alert placed on credit files (Attach a copy of the Fraud Alert letter to the credit bureaus)
 - -State the account was opened fraudulently in your name
 - -State that the account is not yours and that you did not authorize the charges
 - -State that you have contacted the credit bureau and requested the listing be removed (Attach a current copy of your credit report. Highlight the fraudulent listing)
 - -Request the creditor provide you with a copy of the signed application for the account
 - -Ask the creditor to provide you with a copy of the letter sent to the credit bureau requesting removal of the fraudulent account from your credit file.
 - -Ask the creditor to respond to your letter IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT.
- 6) Provide contact information

Your complete name Address City State Zip Phone Email

- 7) Sign your letter
- 8) List Enclosures: Provide a list of documents that support your dispute. (i.e. Police Report, Fraud Alert, Current Credit Report)
- 9) Maintain a file: Keep a copy of the dispute letter and all correspondence to/from the creditor.
- 10) Mailing: Send your letter by Certified Mail, Return Receipt, for proof of receipt of your letter.