

## MasterCard Alerts Notification

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### Background Information:

The MasterCard Fraud Management department continues its investigation of possible account data compromise events in the United States (the "ADC Events"), as previously reported in MasterCard Alerts case numbers MCA1805-US-08 dated December 18, 2008 and MCA1805-US-08-2 dated January 8, 2009.

As previously reported, MasterCard has concluded that the magnetic stripe data of MasterCard accounts may have been compromised.

The previous MasterCard Alerts case numbers MCA1805-US-08 and MCA1805-US-08-2 contained the payment account numbers of MasterCard accounts that had an elevated risk of potential fraud as a result of the ADC Events. MasterCard determined that these account numbers were used in transactions at merchants located in the United States between May 16, 2008 and August 19, 2008.

During the course of the ongoing investigation and risk remediation efforts, MasterCard has determined that additional MasterCard accounts have an elevated risk of potential fraud as a result of the ADC Events.

This MasterCard Alerts notification contains the payment account numbers of additional MasterCard accounts that MasterCard believes to have an elevated risk of potential fraud as a result of the ADC Events. MasterCard has determined that these account numbers were also used in transactions at merchants located in the United States between May 16, 2008 and August 19, 2008. Magnetic stripe counterfeit fraud has been reported on some of the accounts contained in this MasterCard Alerts notification, primarily on accounts issued by customers located in the United States and Canada. The reported fraud has primarily occurred at merchants located in the United States (California, Arizona, and Illinois) and Canada in the following MCC's: 5411 (Grocery Stores, Supermarkets), 5944 (Clock, Jewelry, Watch and Silverware Store), 5542 (Fuel Dispenser, Automated), 5541 (Service Stations) and 5310 (Discount Stores).

MasterCard's investigation is ongoing. MasterCard will continue to monitor and attempt to remediate risk associated with these ADC Events. At this time, no decision has been made regarding implementation of the issuer reimbursement claim process. If MasterCard determines it is appropriate to commence an issuer reimbursement claim process, issuers will be notified via a Global Security Alert.

In addition, MasterCard may disclose additional account numbers believed to be at risk as part of our ongoing investigation. Any such subsequent disclosure also will be communicated via MasterCard Alerts.

An issuer's account numbers may appear in one or multiple of the MasterCard Alerts.

Customers are encouraged to assess their individual situation and exercise appropriate procedures to address potential risk.

Customers are encouraged to store the account numbers distributed in this and any additional MasterCard Alert in a readily-accessible manner for future reference. Customers should also store, for future reference, the Issuing Member ID/ICA number under which this MasterCard Alert was received.

For additional information regarding Account Data Compromise Events, please refer to section 10.3 of the MasterCard Security Rules and Procedures manual.

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