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Subject: Notification of Potential Data Breach - Shelley School District

Date: January 16, 2025

To: consumer_protection@ag.idaho.gov

Attorney General Raul Labrador

Office of the Idaho Attorney General Consumer Protection Division 954 W. Jefferson Boise, ID 83702

Dear Attorney General Labrador,

Pursuant to Idaho Code § 28-51-105, which mandates prompt notification to the Attorney General following a data breach affecting personal information, I am notifying you that the Shelley School District now has reason to believe that we have been impacted by the recent worldwide PowerSchool cybersecurity attack.

On January 9, 2025, the District communicated with our community to state that, at the time, we did not have evidence suggesting our data had been affected. However, as of today, January 16, 2025, additional information provided by PowerSchool has indicated that our district is indeed among the entities impacted by this breach.

Nature of the Incident

The breach reportedly occurred between December 19, 2024, and December 23, 2024, involving unauthorized access to PowerSchool's support platform, PowerSource. Threat actors used compromised credentials to connect to and extract data from PowerSchool Student Information System databases.

Shelley School District Response

Upon confirmation of potential impact, Shelley School District has taken the following actions:

- 1. **Communication**: Our community will be informed immediately regarding this updated status, with guidance on steps they may take to protect their information.
- 2. **Data Analysis**: The District is working to analyze the potential extent of data exposure, including personal identifiable information (PII) of students, staff, and families.
- 3. **Enhanced Security**: We have engaged with PowerSchool to disable potentially vulnerable connections and are collaborating with external cybersecurity experts to bolster our defenses.

Categories of Data Potentially Affected

Preliminary reports suggest that the breach may have exposed names, contact information, health and

safety data, and other student or staff records.

We respectfully request your office's guidance on any additional actions required under Idaho law to ensure compliance and protection of those potentially affected.

Shelley School District is committed to transparency and the protection of our students, families, and staff. If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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