Protection Against Identity Theft



Best Practices to minimize the risks

- 1. Information containing personal information should be disposed of through a shredding device or a reliable third-party shredding company.
- 2. Ensure your organization exercises a comprehensive pre-employment screening for all new employees.
- 3. Adopt security-wise corporate policies that address the handling of both incoming and outgoing mail to your organization, including employees receiving personal mail at the corporate address.
- 4. Do not display electronic or digital signatures of authorized corporate signatories or senior executives within annual reports or other public documents.
- 5. Conduct risk assessments of your organization on a regular basis to identify and minimize risk exposures.
- 6. Maximize access-control technologies to allow only authorized personnel within highrisk areas of the organization.
- 7. Safeguard consumer information contained within networks and infrastructure using recognized industry standards.
- 8. Ensure appropriate reporting mechanisms are applied to detect unauthorized activities involving personal information.
- 9. Adopt and ensure compliance with security protocols associated with mobile computing and tele-networking facilities.
- 10. Extend due-diligence practices to third-party service providers.
- 11. Participate in the Risk Management Network, a customer-care initiative sponsored by Canada Post and aimed at maintaining the integrity of the distribution channel through networking venues, information sharing and best practices. For additional information, contact rita.estwick@canadapost.ca