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Friendly Banking Built on Trust

Cyber criminals have stolen 143 million credit records in the recent hacking scandal at big-three credit bureau Equifax. At this point you have to assume that the bad guys have highly personal information that they can use to trick you. You need to watch out for the following things:

- *Phishing emails that claim to be from Equifax where you can check if your data was compromised*
- *Phishing emails that claim there is a problem with a credit card, your credit record, or other personal financial information*
- *Calls from scammers that claim they are from your bank or credit union*
- *Fraudulent charges on any credit card because your identity was stolen*

Here are 2 things you can do to prevent identity theft:

- *Check your credit reports via the free annualcreditreport.com*
- *Check your bank and credit card statements for any unauthorized activity*

And as always, Think Before You Click!