

Fraud Alert – June 26, 2008



New York State Banking Department Notifies Public of Fraudulent E-Mail Claiming to be from Superintendent Richard H. Neiman

New York, N.Y.: The New York State Banking Department today notified the public of fraudulent e-mails that are being sent out, falsely claiming to be from one of its divisions.

Information was received by the Banking Department that individuals are receiving e-mails that have the appearance of being sent from Richard H. Neiman, Superintendent of Banks for the State of New York. The e-mail, part of an apparent targeted phishing scheme, informs the recipient that the Holocaust Claims Processing Office (HCPO), a division of the New York State Banking Department, and the International Commission on Holocaust Era Insurance Claims (ICHEIC) are paying Holocaust survivors and their heirs.

This e-mail is a fraudulent attempt to obtain personal information including full name, home address, occupation and personal identification. Individuals should **NOT** access any of the links provided within the body of the e-mail and should **NOT**, under any circumstances, provide any personal information in response. Individuals are asked to report any similar attempts to obtain this information to the HCPO by sending information to claimsques@banking.state.ny.us.