

## NEWS RELEASE For Immediate Release

## Suspicious Individuals Impersonating AT&T Employees Seen Soliciting Information

(August 6, 2015-Fairview, Texas) On Thursday, July 30, 2015, in Fairview, Texas, two males posing as AT&T employees were going door-to-door asking residents various questions. According to our Reporting Party, she noticed the men get out of a sedan which was parked near the pond in Sloan Creek Estates Subdivision. She said she walked past the men as they walked through the pond area. About forty-five minutes later (3:15 p.m.) the same two men knocked at her door. One of the men even called her by name (may have looked in the mailbox or got it from another neighbor). They wore light colored clothing and white visors. One had a large silver chain under his shirt. Both individuals had ID badges that had small AT&T markings, among others. One of the ID badges had "Trainee" written on it and the other had a different position, but neither had a name. They were driving a green, 1999 Toyota Solara. She said the men asked questions about her internet speed, saying they were upgrading from copper cable to fiber optics, and were checking to see if she may be eligible for upgrade. They asked her about her dog, internet equipment and how may TV's she had. She said she refused to answer their questions, except that her German Shepherd was a guard dog and would protect her from intruders. As soon as the men left she called AT&T and (after 10 minutes of automation) was told that AT&T would never send employees to solicit upgrades. She then called the Fairview Police Department, but by then they had already left the area.

The men were also spotted in The Vineyard Subdivision located just to the south of Sloan Creek Estates. It is unknown which neighborhood they visited first. A resident of The Vineyards observed that one of the men carried some type of instrument, but did not see a vehicle. They asked similar questions and raised suspicion, but the person never called police. She did call a neighbor who had their garage door up to tell them to close it since these men were walking the neighborhood. She was unable to contact that neighbor, but that neighbor's AT&T Router was hacked and credit card information was stolen during the time the men were in the neighborhood. She was notified of the compromise by LifeLock Identity Protection.

Fairview residents and businesses are encouraged to contact the Fairview Police Department if they are approached or notice any solicitors fitting the description provided above. The non-emergency phone number for the Fairview Police Department is (972) 547-5350 or call 911.