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FROM: Dusty Rhodes, County Auditor

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County Auditor Dusty Rhodes has issued a list of service stations and retail outlets where credit card skimmers have been found over the last two years.

“We have not been notified that any arrests were made in connection with this illegal activity,” said Rhodes. “Our Weights and Measures Inspectors have made over twenty (20) visits to each of the first five stations listed below where skimmers were discovered. They report no security so consumers should use extra caution when using their credit cards at these three locations”, he said.

Shell 7436 Wooster Pike
Shell 401 Glendale Milford Road
Marathon (G&R Market) State Route 128

“These two locations have used security tape on their pumps, but some or all of the tapes have been broken”, said Rhodes.

Marathon 1199 Smiley Road
Sunoco 2290 Sharon Road (skimmers found twice)

“There are three other stations where skimmers have been found where the operators have updated security and placed new locks on their pumps”, he added.

Circle K 10630 Loveland Madeira Road
Shell 10629 Loveland Madeira Road
BP 12010 Omniplex Drive

“The Marathon station at 11785 Lebanon Road where a skimmer was found is now out of business” he said.

Rhodes reported four retail establishments discovered skimmers on their point-of-sale terminals located inside the store during the past year. They are Wal-Mart at 1143 Smiley Rd., Wal-Mart at 8451 Colerain, Wal-Mart at 10240 Colerain, and Thorntons at 12105 Princeton. He said his office had received no further information on these from either the stores or authorities.

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