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PCI Security Standards Council Statement on Recent Data Breaches

A recent press announcement was made regarding a data security breach at a large retailer. This incident underscores the need for all businesses to ensure that they handle customer payment card data with the utmost vigilance.

The security of customer payment data is not just a payment brand issue but is the responsibility of all businesses that participate in the payment process. All merchants and service providers that store, process and transmit payment card data are required by the payment brands to comply with the PCI Data Security Standard – their customers expect it and their reputations depend on it.

The PCI Security Standards Council is dedicated to driving greater education, awareness and adoption of the PCI Data Security Standard to ensure that all stakeholders involved in the payment process conduct their business responsibly.

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