

WFG Underwriting Bulletin



To: All New York Policy Issuing Agents of WFG National Title Insurance Company

From: WFG Underwriting Department

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Subject: Shutdown Affecting Various New York Counties

It has come to our attention that Cott Systems Inc. ("Cott"), a national provider of County Clerk records management systems and solutions, has been the victim of a cyber-attack. As a result of the attack county records systems, e-recording and searching, and real property tax records have been shut down in several counties in New York. Cott has advised they are working on the problem but are unable to give a timeline for the restoration of services or alternate methods for accessing the affected systems.

The New York counties affected thus far are:

Cattaraugus
Chenango
Clinton
Onondaga
Rockland
Schuyler
Tioga

In the event you have transactions for properties located in any of these counties, please contact underwriting counsel prior to closing.

We will continue to update you as additional information becomes available.

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