

Scam warning issued

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Computer users are being warned by Huron police to be wary of a legitimate-looking e-mail request by Wells Fargo to update their bank accounts.

The so-called "phishing scam" asks account holders to update their online information to reduce the instance of fraud on the bank's Web site.

But the e-mail itself is fraudulent. Wells Fargo never contacts account holders by e-mail, but by phone or mail, police said.

Members of a Huron household who thought the request was legitimate told police Thursday they clicked on the link and completed the online information. Fortunately, they check their account frequently and were able to contact the bank right away after noticing a \$3,000 transfer was pending.

Police have received about a dozen similar complaints in the past.