At Granite Heavy Equipment Sales, LLC, the safety and trust of our community are our highest priorities. We are writing to inform you of a recent increase in fraudulent activity targeting online equipment platforms.

It has come to our attention that fraudulent websites are impersonating platforms like ours, attempting to deceive users by advertising heavy equipment that does not exist. These scammers typically request payment from buyers directly, only for the buyer to later discover that the equipment was never real.

To help you stay protected, please keep the following in mind:

All equipment transactions listed on <a href="www.granitehe.com">www.granitehe.com</a> take place directly between us, our consignors, and sellers—they are not conducted through our website. There is no CHECK OUT button. Do not fall for that!

We will ONLY work directly with you......Jennifer or Ray using our direct number and emails. We use 3 only and anyone else not listed on our site COULD be impersonating us. Always reach out direct. We are happy to assist! Check out our financing page for employees.

## **How to Stay Safe:**

Ensure you are on our official website before entering any personal or financial information for our credit application. That is <a href="https://www.financehe.com">www.financehe.com</a> there is no other online application. We are happy to take your application over the phone as well!

Be cautious of unsolicited offers or pressure to send funds through unconventional payment methods.

If anything feels suspicious, please don't hesitate to contact us directly.

ALWAYS go to inspect equipment. Anyone who pressures for a DEPOSIT to hold the equipment before inspection asking for 10% or 20% could be a telltale sign. We do NOT ask for deposits before seeing equipment.

We are fully committed to providing a safe and trustworthy experience for every member of our community. If you encounter any unusual activity or believe you may have been the target of a scam, please report it immediately to <a href="mailto:jennifer@granitehe.com">jennifer@granitehe.com</a>

Thank you for being a valued part of our community and for helping us maintain a secure environment for all.

Thank you for helping keep our community safe.

Stay secure,