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CHRB NEWS RELEASE

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CHRB FILES COMPLAINT AGAINST JEFF MULLINS

SACRAMENTO, CA – The California Horse Racing Board has filed a complaint against trainer Jeff Mullins for violation of Rules 1843(a), 1843(d), and 1887(a) after a horse in his care, Rob's Coin, which finished second in the seventh race at Hollywood Park on July 8, 2006, tested positive for mepivacaine or its metabolite, hydroxymepivacaine, in the post-race urine sample.

Mepivacaine is a local anesthetic classified as an RCI Class 2 drug. RCI Class 2 drugs include therapeutic drug substances with the potential for abuse; mepivacaine falls into this category.

The Maddy Laboratory at UC Davis, the CHRB's official laboratory, reported the findings, while Industrial Laboratories, the split sample laboratory selected by Mullins, confirmed the Maddy Laboratory results. The level of mepivacaine or its metabolites exceeded the 10ng/ml permitted in the post-race urine sample under Rule 1844(e). A hearing has not been scheduled.

From this point forward, the CHRB will issue weekly news releases summarizing new complaints and rulings involving Class 1, 2, and 3 medication violations and other significant matters.

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