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**WEEKLY UPDATE**

SACRAMENTO, CA – This is the California Horse Racing Board's weekly update of complaints, accusations, stewards rulings, and Board decisions involving Class 1, 2, and 3 medication violations and other significant matters.

The CHRB filed a complaint against owner/trainer Alberto Arreola for violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (a) (d), 1859.5, 1887, and 1894 after the Ken Maddy Laboratory at UC Davis reported the sample collected from a horse in his care, La Gacela, contained hydromorphone, a prohibited Class 1 substance. Industrial Laboratories confirmed the presence of hydromorphone in the split sample. Hydromorphone is a semi-synthetic narcotic analgesic sold as Dilaudid. There is no legitimate, recognized use for the drug in the horse. Hydromorphone is a human drug of abuse. La Gacela finished third in the eighth race at Cal Expo on August 27, 2008. The stewards at Golden Gate Fields have scheduled a hearing for December 17, 2008.

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Jeff Bonde for violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (a) (d), 1843.1 (a), 1859.5, 1887, and 1894 after the Maddy Laboratory reported the sample collected from a horse in his care, Halo's Angel, contained trenbolone, a prohibited Class 3 substance. Iowa State University confirmed the presence of trenbolone in the split sample. Trenbolone is an anabolic steroid used in livestock to promote appetite and muscle growth. Trenbolone was one of a number of anabolic steroids reclassified from Class 4 to Class 3 substances effective July 1, 2008. Halo's Angel finished second in the sixth race at the San Mateo County Fair on August 13, 2008. The stewards at Golden Gate have scheduled a hearing for January 2, 2009.

The stewards at Golden Gate ordered the disqualification of Dab of Lightning and the redistribution of the purse for the ninth race at the Solano County Fair on July 20, 2008, after the Maddy Laboratory determined the urine sample collected from Dab of Lightning contained 3-hydroxy lidocaine. Industrial Laboratory confirmed the presence of 3-hydroxy lidocaine in the split sample. 3-hydroxy lidocaine is the major urinary metabolite of lidocaine, a local anesthetic, and is a Class 2 violation. Dab of Lightning finished first in the July 20 race. Sean McLaughlin, the trainer of Dab of Lightning, is currently serving a suspension for this violation.

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