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CHRB NEWS RELEASE

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WEEKLY UPDATE: DEC. 28 – JAN. 3, 2009

SACRAMENTO, CA – This is the California Horse Racing Board's weekly update of all complaints filed. The update also includes stewards' rulings involving Class 1, 2, and 3 medication violations and other significant matters. All stewards' rulings can be viewed on the CHRB Website (www.chrb.ca.gov) through the Administrative Hearings link.

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Danny Montes alleging violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (a) (d), 1844 (c) (2), and 1877 after the Maddy Laboratory at UC Davis reported the blood sample collected from Illegal Velocity, a horse in his care, contained flunixin in excess of the authorized decision level. Flunixin is a regulated non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medication. Flunixin is a Class 4 drug and Category C penalty. Montes did not request a split sample analysis. Illegal Velocity finished second in the sixth race at Los Alamitos on December 11, 2009. The stewards at Los Alamitos have scheduled a January 16 hearing.

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Jason Maier alleging violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (d) and 1887 after the Maddy Laboratory at UC Davis determined the sample collected from a horse in his care, Little Rooster, contained dexamethasone, a steroidal anti-inflammatory medication frequently administered to horses. Dexamethasone is a Class 4 drug and a Category C penalty. Maier did not request a split sample analysis. Little Rooster ran second in the fifth race at Cal Expo on December 6, 2009. The stewards at Cal Expo have scheduled a January 15 hearing.

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Felipe Quintero alleging violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (a) (d), 1844 (c) (1), and 1887 after the Maddy Laboratory at UC Davis reported that a sample collected from Rhythm N Dash, a horse in his care, contained two non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications, flunixin and phenylbutazone, and the phenylbutazone was in excess of the authorized decision level. Both phenylbutazone and flunixin are Class 4 drugs, and the presence of two such drugs is a Category C penalty. Quintero did not request a split sample analysis. Rhythm N Dash finished first in the first race at Los Alamitos on December 13, 2009. The stewards at Los Alamitos have scheduled a January 16.

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Antonio Soto alleging violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (a) (d), 1844 (c) (1), and 1887 after the Maddy Laboratory at UC Davis reported that a sample collected from Hotsie, a horse in his care, contained phenylbutazone in excess of the authorized decision level. Phenylbutazone is a regulated non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medication. Phenylbutazone is a Class 4 drug and Category C penalty. Hotsie finished fifth in the sixth race at

Los Alamitos on December 18, 2009, but was vanned off the course and placed on the Veterinarian List as unsound. A hearing is pending with the stewards at Los Alamitos.

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Magdaleno Perez for alleged violation of CHRB Rule 1877 pertaining to checks written at the Fresno Fair. The stewards at Golden Gate Fields have scheduled a January 9 hearing.

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