STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD
CHRB 65 (Rev 1-23)

OFFICIAL COMPLAINT

The California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) hereby files an official complaint against Jose Castillo for violation of CHRB Rule(s) 1859.5 - Disqualification Upon Positive Test Finding.
The person named in this complaint is licensed by the CHRB as a Trainer, under license number 404162 - Exp. 12/2023. The alleged offense occurred on or about 3/31/2023 and is described as follows:

The official urine sample #CE32720 taken on March 31, 2023, at Cal Expo was reported by Ben Moeller, PhD of U.C. Davis Laboratories contained Minoxidil. The samples were obtained from the horse "GIGGLE MONSTER" which ran in the 1st race at Cal Expo, finishing 8th. A split sample was not requested in accordance with 1859.25. Minoxidil is considered a Class 3, Penalty Class B Violation. The trainer of record is Jose Castillo with Set The Pace Racing, LLC being the owner of record. The purpose of this complaint is for disqualification purposes in accordance with CHRB Rule 1859.5.

Pursuant to California Business and Professions Code Sections 19420 and 19440, as well as the authority outlined in the CHRB Rules, the Board of Stewards are empowered to impose penalties for violations of any provision of a CHRB Rule, or HISA Rule, where authorized. Such penalties may include suspension of any CHRB-issued license, monetary fine, assessment of penalty points, and/or exclusion from any/all racing enclosures under the jurisdiction of the Board, or any combination of the penalties listed above.

Investigator Name: H. Bartholomew Date of Filing: 04/17/2023 Case Number: 23SW0010

NOTICE TO APPEAR

You are hereby ordered to appear before the Board of Stewards as noted below.

Location: Cal Expo Board of Stewards Office Date: 07/20/2023 Time: 11:00a.m.

You are entitled to reasonable notice of this hearing and reasonable time to prepare for the hearing. If you require additional time to prepare for the hearing, you must contact the Board of Stewards within 72 hours of receipt of this notice. All requests for continuance must be submitted in writing and fully justify the need for continuance. The granting or denial of a request for continuance rests with the Board of Stewards. The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the attached “Governing Procedures for Hearing Before the Board of Stewards.”

DECLARATION OF SERVICE

☒ In Person ☐ Certified Mail (Tracking #): _____ ☐ Other:_____
Documents Served: ☒ Complaint Packet ☒ Governing Procedures ☐ Other:_____
Served By: J. Flores Date: 05/04/2023 Time: 2:30p.m. ☐10 Day Time Waived

DISPOSITION

The Board of Stewards took the following action on the aforementioned case.

☐ Ruling Issued ☐ Formal Warning ☐ Case Dismissed ☐ Withdrawn

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