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SUBJECT: RULE 1844.1 SUSPENSION OF CLENBUTEROL FOR ALL HORSE BREEDS

The California Horse Racing Board (CHRB or Board) has suspended the authorized administration of clenbuterol for all horses for twelve months pursuant to its authority under CHRB Rule 1844.1, Suspension of Authorized Medication.

The CHRB's temporary suspension prohibits the presence of clenbuterol at any level in official test samples collected from horses competing in any race regardless of breed. The suspension of authorization for clenbuterol for all horses competing in horse races will begin on **November 15, 2018** and extend through October 24, 2019. Any clenbuterol confirmed in a post-race test for any horse competing in a horse race will be a violation of CHRB regulations.

However, for violations occurring between November 15th and November 30th, 2018, a licensee will only be issued a warning for a clenbuterol finding below 140 pg/ml. This will ensure that no licensee is penalized for a positive test sample during the withdrawal period. (Findings of clenbuterol over 140 pg/ml in a post race test sample during this period will result in a violation) Note: Any warning that is issued will not become part of the licensee's record.

To assist licensees in ensuring their horse is clear of the presence of clenbuterol, the CHRB will offer pre-entry testing at no charge through the remainder of the year. Licensees wishing to take advantage of the pre-entry testing must contact the Official Veterinarian at the track they intend to enter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Baedeker".

Rick Baedeker
Executive Director