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CHRB NEWS RELEASE

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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 trainer Art Sherman for violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (a,d), 1843.6 (d) (1,2), 1887, and 1859.5. The Maddy Laboratory at the University of California, Davis, reported that Brahma Bull, a horse trained by Sherman, exceeded the regulatory threshold of 37.0mm1/1 for total carbon dioxide (TCO2). Brahma Bull ran second in the fourth race at Bay Meadows on December 2, 2006. This is a Class III violation. A hearing has not been scheduled.

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Wesley Ward for violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (a,b,d), 1887, and 1859.5 after the Maddy Laboratory reported that a horse in his care, Denaesalildevil, contained phentermine and its metabolite hydroxyphentermine. Industrial Laboratories tested the split sample and confirmed the original finding. Denaesalildevil won the 11th race at the Alameda County Fair on July 1, 2006. This is a Class II violation. A hearing has not been scheduled.

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