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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.

In accordance with a stipulated agreement between the CHRB and Lauren Veon, the stewards at Cal Expo fined the trainer \$1,500 and issued a 15-day suspension (stayed) for violation of CHRB Rules 1843, 1843.6 (d), and 1887 after a horse in his care, Roughing the Passer, tested positive for 4-hydroxypropranolol. 4-hydroxypropranolol is a metabolite of propranolol. Propranolol is a beta-2 adrenergic blocking agent occasionally used in humans for hypertension. This is a Class 3 violation. In accordance with the stipulated agreement, Veon is placed on probation for a period of one year with the suspension stayed, provided he has no further Class 1, 2, or 3 medication violations during the term of probation. Roughing the Passer finished first in the second race at Cal Expo on May 30, 2007. Pursuant to the agreement, the stewards disqualified Roughing the Passer and ordered a redistribution of the purse.

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