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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 trainer Lissette F. Hernandez, the stewards at Los Alamitos suspended Hernandez for 60 days and fined her \$5,000 for violation of CHRB Rules 1843 (a) (d), 1844 (b) (e) (4) (9) and 1887 after the Maddy Laboratory determined the urine sample collected from a horse in her care, Pappyscoronalibro, contained both albuterol and clenbuterol in excess of authorized decision levels. Albuterol and clenbuterol are beta-2 agonist bronchodilators commonly used in horses. Each is a Class 3 violation. Pursuant to the stipulated agreement, the stewards stayed \$2,000 of the fine and stayed 30 days of the suspension provided Hernandez has no Class 1, 2, or 3 violations during the term of her one-year probation. She is suspended May 25 through June 23. Pappyscoronalibro finished first in the fourth race at the Los Alamitos on February 19, 2009. The stewards disqualified Pappyscoronalibro and ordered a redistribution of the purse.

The stewards at Los Alamitos suspended trainer Eloy Navarro for 30 days (June 1 through June 30) for violation of Rule 1890 (possession of contraband – needles, syringes, and injectables).

The CHRB filed a complaint against trainer Hector Hernandez for violation of Rules 1843 (a) (d), 1844 (e) (9) and 1887 after the Maddy Laboratory determined the urine sample collected from a horse in his care, Fish on the Move, contained clenbuterol in excess of the authorized decision level. Fish on the Move finished first in the sixth race at Los Alamitos on April 18, 2009. The stewards at Los Alamitos scheduled a hearing for May 30.

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