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**Postmortem Examination Review Summary #2026B07**

Horse Information: Six-year-old Thoroughbred.

Incident Summary: The horse suffered a severe episode of colic while stabled at the racetrack and was immediately shipped to the hospital. Surgery was declined and the horse was humanely euthanized.

Necropsy Summary: A necropsy examination failed to reveal the cause of the horse's colic. There was no evidence of a displacement/volvulus/torsion of any segment of the intestinal tract. The vessels of the root of the mesentery appeared very engorged, but no volvulus was noted. The contents of the large colon and cecum were abnormal, and the pH was too acidic.

Racing/Training History: The horse had 21 lifetime starts and last breezed in January 2025.

Veterinary History Summary: The horse had several joint injections in 2023 and 2024. The horse had an episode of EIPH in April 2024 and January 2025. The horse was treated for EPM in November 2024.

Pre-race Examinations: Pre-race examinations had noted joint capsule hypertrophy and a decreased range of motion in both front fetlock joints. The left front flexor tendon was noted as slightly thickened, and the left knee to have slight effusion.

Conclusion: The horse suffered a serious case of colic and was shipped to the hospital. The horse was humanely euthanized at the hospital.