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**Postmortem Examination Review Summary #2025I01**

Horse Information: Five-year-old Thoroughbred.

Incident Summary: While running in a race the horse suffered a left front injury. The horse had a catastrophic fracture of the left front shin. The horse was humanely euthanized.

Necropsy Summary: A necropsy examination revealed catastrophic severely comminuted, displaced, open fractures of the left front second (MC2), third (MC3) and fourth (MC4) metacarpal bones. The left front suspensory ligament was completely torn. The right front leg had a complete tear of the deep digital flexor tendon.

Racing/Training History: This horse had 15 lifetime starts. The horse had a brief layoff in the fall of 2023.

Veterinary History Summary: The horse had been placed on the Starter's list twice. The horse had a NSAID cream dispensed in the fall of 2024 and steroid tablets in winter of 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 shin and right knee were noted to have exostosis, and the right fetlock had joint effusion.

Conclusion: This horse suffered a catastrophic left front shin fracture and was humanely euthanized.