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**Postmortem Examination Review Summary #2025C07**

Horse Information: Four-year-old Thoroughbred.

Incident Summary: The horse was recently claimed and found to have EIPH on endoscopic exam. The horse was treated with antibiotics. Several days post treatment the horse had bloody diarrhea and was immediately shipped to the hospital. The horse stabilized for a couple days, when the hemorrhagic diarrhea returned, with severe colic signs and shock. The horse was humanely euthanized.

Necropsy Summary: A necropsy examination revealed necrohemorrhagic typhlocolitis, with bacterial emboli in several internal organs.

Racing/Training History: This horse had a lifetime total of 21 starts. The horse was recently claimed.

Veterinary History Summary: In 2023 the right front fetlock was radiographed and ultrasounded. In July 2024 the right hind leg was treated for an infection. The horse had EIPH in August 2024, and received antibiotics. Several days later the horse had a fever, severe diarrhea and dehydration and was shipped to the hospital for treatment. While hospitalized the hemorrhagic diarrhea resumed and the horse became acutely painful and showed signs of shock.

Pre-race Examinations: The medial suspensory branch of the right front fetlock was noted to be enlarged. Both fetlocks had joint capsule hypertrophy, and both the knees and fetlocks were noted to have decreased range of motion.

Conclusion: This horse suffered from a hemorrhagic colitis, and had become septic with showing signs of shock. The horse was humanely euthanized.