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**Postmortem Examination Review Summary #2025G08**

Horse Information: Twelve-year-old Quarter Horse.

Incident Summary: While running in a race the horse suffered an injury to the left hind leg. The horse was examined at the barn. No fracture was detected, however the horse had severe discomfort and progressive leg swelling. The horse was humanely euthanized.

Necropsy Summary: A necropsy examination revealed complete rupture of the semitendinosus muscle and incomplete tear of the gracilis muscle on the left hind leg surrounded by locally extensive hemorrhage. The lungs had moderate hemorrhage.

Racing/Training History: This horse had twenty-five lifetime starts. There were several gaps in racing across the years, while in training with various trainers. The horse had three outs since the last extended layoff.

Veterinary History Summary: The horse had no documented lameness issues.

Pre-race Examinations: Pre-race examinations had noted joint capsule hypertrophy, exostosis, and a decreased range of motion in both front fetlock joints. Both front shins were noted to have moderate exostosis. Both knees had slight joint capsule hypertrophy.

Conclusion: The horse ruptured two muscles in the left hind leg resulting in severe pain and swelling. The horse was humanely euthanized.