



January 30, 2015

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Dear Messrs. Tuttle, Spadea, Considine, Brown, George, Campbell, and Carney:

Pursuant to 205 CMR 149 the Massachusetts Gaming Commission, ("Commission") upon notice that a racing association has determined not to apply for the renewal of a license or determined to relinquish or transfer a license, may hold a public hearing to determine whether to take any action within its authority to protect the interests of the Commonwealth, employees or former employees of the racing association, horsemen and/or the intended beneficiaries of the race horse development fund, any other fund established pursuant to M.G.L. c. 23K, 128A or 128C and any other fund to which a racing association was required to contribute.

The Commission will hold a hearing on February 19, 2015 to hear from interested stakeholders on issues pertaining to thoroughbred and harness racing in the Commonwealth. Those issues include, but are not limited to, the request to transfer the one day license granted to the New England Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association; the request by the New England Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association to conduct simulcasting based upon a one day racing license; the request by the New England Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association for funds from the economic assistance fund; whether the Horse Racing Committee should review



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the allocation of funds from the Race Horse Development Fund between thoroughbred and standardbred racing; the allocation of funds to thoroughbred racing under the Race Horse Development Fund to multiple thoroughbred licensees; the payment of that portion of the race horse development fund allocated to authorized breeding programs; the payment of that portion of the race horse development fund allocated to fund health and pension benefits; whether the Commission may entertain an application from Sterling Suffolk Racecourse LLC to conduct live racing and any other issue that a stakeholder believes should be considered by the Commission.

Each interested stakeholder must notify the Commission and submit a written statement on the issues noted above as well as the stakeholder's plans for the 2015 racing season, not to exceed 10 pages, for inclusion in the Commission packet not later than February 12, 2015. Each stakeholder will have 20 minutes to present before the Commission on February 19. The Commission will post all of the correspondence received to date on the matters listed as well as any written statements on its website and will hold a 10 day comment period after the meeting on February 19 to receive public comment on the issues presented.

If you have any questions, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Catherine Blue". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Catherine Blue
General Counsel

Cc: Rick Day
John Ziemba



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