



January 15, 2015

Mr. Anthony Spadea
President
New England Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association
P.O. Box 388
Revere, MA 02151

Re: Request for Transfer of 2015 Racing License

Dear Mr. Spadea:

I reviewed your December 11, 2014 letter requesting that the Massachusetts Gaming Commission ("Commission") consider and approve the transfer of the one day running horse racing license granted to the New England Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association ("NEHPBA") on November 6, 2014 to the New England Horsemen's Agricultural and Racing Corporation ("NEHARC").

The first step in the process of bringing this before the Commission is a review by the Commission's Investigation and Enforcement Bureau ("IEB") of the suitability of NEHARC and the backgrounds of the principals involved in the NEHARC. I forwarded the information provided with your December 11, 2014 letter to the IEB.

Please reach out to Det. Lt. Brian Connors at Brian.Connors@state.ma.us to provide him with your email and phone contact information in order to coordinate the background investigation process. Once the IEB review is complete, it will generate a short report with its recommendation on the proposed transfer. That recommendation will be provided to the Commission, who will review it at a future public meeting and vote on whether or not to approve the transfer.

In order for the IEB to conclude its review, it is very important that all information requested by the IEB be provided in a complete and timely manner and that the principals of NEHARC cooperate fully with the IEB.

If you have any questions, please let me know. You should be hearing from the IEB shortly.

Very truly yours,

Catherine Blue
General Counsel



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