LIQUOR GAMING AND CANNABIS AUTHORITY OF MANITOBA

Ruling # 20 Date: July 11, 2024

Assiniboia Downs Meet - Thoroughbred

Name: Mike Taphorn Licence Type: Trainer Licensee Number: 4928

Pursuant to:

SECTION 3: RACING PARTICIPANTS

RULE 8: TRAINERS TRAINER LIABILITY

8(4) A trainer is responsible for the condition and consistent performance of a horse in their care, and without restricting the generality of the foregoing, for any foreign or prohibited substance found in any horse under their care entered in a race, as disclosed by chemical analysis, regardless of the acts or intervention of third parties and whether or not such acts are known to the race horse trainer and regardless of the time of the administration of any drug or foreign or prohibited substance which results in a positive analysis found in an official sample.

Trainer Mike Taphorn appeared before the Stewards on Thursday, July 11, 2024, and was found to be in violation of the above rule as a result of positive analysis from an official sample taken from "My Noah" June 18, 2024. Mike Taphorn was ordered to pay a fine of \$1000 by July 21, 2024, and was suspended for two days, Wednesday, July 3, 2024, and Thursday, July 4, 2024.

The horse "My Noah" was disqualified from race 4, June 18, 2024, and purse money returned and redistributed as follows: 1st - HIGH PRESS, 2nd - CROWNED ROYAL, 3rd - GHOST ART, 4th – COOLCROSS.

BY ORDER OF THE RACE ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS

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Grant Buckoski

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Charles Janaway



