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Horse Race Date Calendar Committee Meeting at Sam Houston Race Park
Stakeholders and the Public to Discuss Issues Related to Race Date Requests

Austin — The Texas Racing Commission's Horse Race Date Committee will meet at Sam Houston Race Park on August 13, 2010. The meeting, which will include a public comment period, provides a forum for interested stakeholders and the public to discuss the potential number and locations of race dates and the purse levels for the 2011-2012 calendar.

Individuals planning to comment during the meeting, including members of the public, are encouraged to provide supporting material. The Commission will post the material on its Web site before the meeting. Commission staff also will have handouts available at the meeting.

Interested parties must submit their documents to the Commission by Friday, August 6, 2010. Submissions should be sent to Sammy Jackson by fax at 512-833-6907 or by e-mail to sammy.jackson@txrc.state.tx.us.

Racetracks must submit their formal race date requests to the Commission by August 18, 2010. The Commission expects to consider the racetracks' requested race dates at its meeting scheduled for September 14, 2010.

The Horse Race Date Committee welcomes input on whether each racetrack's proposed race meeting will serve to nurture, promote, develop or improve the horse industry in Texas. Among the factors the Commission may consider are: the current condition of the association's racetrack and facilities for patrons, race animals and occupational licensees; the anticipated effect of the proposed race meeting on the continuity of racing during the year; the live race dates requested by other associations licensed to conduct races for the same species of animal; the anticipated effect of the race meeting on the horse breeding industry in Texas; the anticipated effect of scheduled race meetings in neighboring race states on the proposed race meeting; and the anticipated availability of race animals for the race meetings.

The agenda for the committee meeting will be available at www.txrc.state.tx.us. For more information regarding race date allocation, please email info@txrc.state.tx.us, or contact Bill Childs at 512-833-6699.

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