

State of Texas
Texas Racing Commission

Official Ruling # RETA2249

of the

Board of Stewards

RETAMA PARK

OWNER-TRAINER	STODGHILL, JONATHAN	License #	115424
Ruling Date:	11/05/2011	Violation Date:	09/23/2011
Redistribute Purse:	Yes		

Rules Violated:

319.3	DRUG POSITIVE OR PERMITTED MEDICATION VIOLATION
311.104	TRAINER/ABSOLUTE INSURER
319.302	REASONABLE OVERSIGHT OF ANIMAL

Trainer, Jonathan Stodghill, having been duly noticed, appeared at a formal hearing before the Retama Park Board of Stewards on 10/21/2011. Mr. Stodghill's horse "Super Struggler" the 2nd place finisher in the 9th race at Retama Park on 09/23/2011 tested positive for caffeine, at 82 ng/ml, sample # RP030400.

In evidence Mr. Stodghill informed the stewards that he had been feeding his horses "Hemo Cease" a feed supplement purchased from the tack shop on association grounds. Mr. Stodghill also provided a letter from the supplement manufacturer, Peak Performance Nutrients, addressed to the Retama Park Board of Stewards, stating that their product had been contaminated with caffeine by an ingredient supplied by an outside provider. Also provided was a copy of a circular letter "PPN" had sent to suppliers asking that they remove their product from their shelves and choose a refund or a replacement product.

A sample of the product used by Mr. Stodghill was tested by TVMDL at the request of the Retama Park Board of Stewards and was found to contain caffeine.

After consideration of all the facts and evidence the Retama Park Board of Stewards hereby disqualify the horse "Super Struggler" from the 9th race at Retama Park on 09/23/2011 and order the purse redistributed as follows:

1st Storm Tuner
2nd Grandpa N Savannah
3rd Speed Demon
4th Suzy Three
5th Tuscan Fever
6th Rich Elm
7th Majestic Wildcat
8th SR. Manuel
Unplaced: Super Struggler

No further action will be taken against Mr. Stodghill as the evidence confirmed that the contamination was

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