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Notice of Hearing

2006 Race Dates

Public Forum

**To all Racetracks
Ontario Harness Horse Association
Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association
Northern Horsemen's Association
Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association
and all other interested parties**

TAKE NOTICE that a hearing to approve 2006 Live Race Dates and Intertrack and Simulcast Date, shall commence before the Ontario Racing Commission as follows:

- 1. Quinte Exhibition & Raceway**, Application by Belleville Agricultural Society
- 2. Kawartha Downs Raceway**, Application by Kawartha Downs Limited
- 3. Windsor Raceway**, Application by Windsor Raceway Inc.
and **Hiawatha Horse Park**, application by 405730 Ontario Ltd.

will be held in Hearing Room B at its head office located at 20 Dundas Street West on the 7th Floor in the City of Toronto in the Province of Ontario, commencing on the **27th day of October, 2005 at the hour of 10:30 p.m. o'clock in the forenoon.**

PUBLIC FORUM

As described in the Notice to the Industry titled ***Changes to the Racetrack Licensing and Race Date Application Process***, the Commission is providing for a public forum to follow the hearings taking place in Hearing Room B. The Commission will invite members of the industry or the general public to make presentations to the panel. The Public Forum is intended to provide individuals with the opportunity to meet and discuss issues. It will also serve to assist the Board to monitor issues of importance to members of the industry. While no "Rules" or "Ruling" will be issued at the end of the public forum, the Board may refer matters for further consideration or consultation. **The Public Forum will commence at 1:00 p.m..**

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that reference should be made to the ***Notice to the Industry Re: 2006 Race Date Applications***, that will issue October 21, 2005 by Chair Lynda Tanaka which will summarize the decisions of the Commission at its meeting dated October 20, 2005, held to deal with the 2006 applications. The Notice details the specific issues to be addressed in each hearing.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that each racing association is requested to enter into discussions with any other association or associations in its circuit, where there is a potential conflict with respect to live dates for which each association has applied, in order to attempt to arrive at an acceptable schedule in each area prior to the hearing;

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that each racing association, in applying for 2006 racing dates from the Ontario Racing Commission must govern itself in accordance with the provisions of the Racing Commission Act, 2000, S.O. 2000, c.20 and the Rules of Racing;

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the race date hearings scheduled to commence on the 27th day of October 2005, are being conducted pursuant to the authority contained in the Racing Commission Act, 2000, S.O. 2000, c.20;

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the Ontario Racing Commission requires that each racing association has an authorized officer, director, or other representative of the association itself present at the hearing with instructions and authority to deal with the application and agree to any amendments binding on the track.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that if further information with respect to the matters contained herein is required, or if any amendment to dates applied for are necessary, please contact Executive Director John Blakney or Manager of Information Services Wendy Hooegeveen at (416) 327-0520.

DATED at Toronto, Ontario, this 20th day of October, 2005.



John Blakney
Executive Director