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## **Notice to the Industry**

### **Licensees suspended – investigation continues into death of racehorses**

As a result of continuing investigations into the death of two racehorses, on January 19, 2010, the Director ordered the immediate suspension of the ORC licences of Owner/Trainer Jason E. Robertson, Owner/Trainer Chantell L. Robertson, and Owner/Trainer Brittany M. Robertson, all of Sudbury, ON.

An ongoing ORC investigation has revealed that the two horses – BENSLEM and HBFS SLAPSHOT – died at the Robertson farm, and both had been administered substances intravenously before they died. The ORC investigation is continuing.

Through its regulatory initiatives, the ORC strives to maintain public confidence in the integrity of the horse racing industry. This includes playing an active role in ensuring the safety of the participants and protecting the health and welfare of the horse.

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