

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS: Rebecca Kelly Slaughter, Acting Chair Woman
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IN THE MATTER OF:

William E. March, Trainer
Sample #B200053581
Covered Horse: "PROTEST"
Tampa Bay Downs
Race #7: February 14, 2026

REQUEST FOR DISMISSAL OF CHARGES

**Subpart T-Procedures for Review of Final Civil
Sanctions Imposed under the Horseracing and Safety
Act.**

Request to Dismiss Alleged Charges for Violation of the Safety Act §1.145

§Sec 1.145 Submission of Notice of civil sanctions.

- (a) Requirements to file. If the Horseracing Integrity and Safety Authority (Authority) imposes a final civil sanction under 15 U.S.C. 3057(d) for a covered person’s violation of a rule of the Authority, the Authority must submit notice of the sanction to the Federal Trade Commission (Commission) no later than two days after the sanction has been issued “for the sanction to be enforceable.”**

See page 5 number 4, “AMENDED NOTICE” OF FINAL SANCTIONS UNDER THE ADMC PROGRAM. Sent to The Federal Trade Commission in 4 to 5 days instead of the required 2 days. Any sanction by HISA or HIWU “is not enforceable.”

Dates

1. February 4, 2026: ECM Notice of Alleged Controlled Medication Rule Violation. Results Management of this matter is the responsibility of HIWU.
2. February 7, 2026: Response to ECM Notice of Alleged Medication Rule Violation of issued February 4, 2026. Move for immediate stay.
3. February 11, 2026: Request for Production to laboratory chemist, Timothy R. Kruegar.
4. February 12, 2026: Received Gmail from Geneva Gnam,, Esquire, Litigation Counsel for HIWU. "Apart from the above, HIWU will not be providing any of the documentation requested as the requests are outside the scope of ADCMC Program Rules. A Charge Letter will be issued tomorrow, which will detail your options moving forward."
5. February 17, 2026: Request Dismissal of HIWU's Charges of February 13, 2026. Gmail from Geneva Gnam to Monica Pilarski, legal assistant of HIWU and copied to Carla March The last two lines read : "Apart from the above, HIWU will not be providing any of the documentation requested as the requests are outside the scope of ADCMC Program Rules. A charge letter will be issued tomorrow, which will detail your options moving forward."

6. February 17, 2026: Letter to Geneva N. Gnam : to HIWU Letter of February 13, 2026. Titled: REQUSET FOR DISMISSAL OF CHARGES.

7. February 19, 2026: GMAIL from Geneva Gnam to Carla March, Copied to Monica Pilarski. "As HIWU indicated in the attached email on February 12, 2026, Industrial Laboratories will not separately respond to your requests or your inquires Any requests for documentation must go through HIWU."

8. March 4, 2026: RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 13, 2026: ECM Charge of Controlled Medication Rule Violation, Covered Horse: Protest; Sample #B200053581 to Geneva N. Gnam, Esq. "The Florida Department of Pari-Mutuel Wagering is the Florida state organization that was recently bullied by misguided Federal Legislatures (legislators) out of their state responsibilities."

9. March 4, 2026: "HIWU's NOTICE" OF FINAL CIVIL SANCTIONS UNDER THE ADMC PROGRAM. **Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 3058(b)(1), review of the decision must be requested within (30) days of HISA's notice to the FTC.**

10. March 9, 2026: HIWU's AMENDED NOTICE OF FINAL CIVIL. SANCTIONS UNDER THE ADMC PROGRAM. **Pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 3058(b)(1), review of the decision must be requested**

within (30) days of HISA's notice to the FTC. Copy of HISA, March 9, 2026: Civil Sanction Notice to the Federal Trade Commission from. John L. Forgy, Counsel to HISA.

11. March 25, 2026 titled, Request Dismissal of HIWU's Charges of February 13, 2026: (7 pages).

12. Also, attached is a copy of the letter dated March 9, 2026

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February 4, 2026: Notice of Alleged Controlled Medication.

Federal Trade Commission

- a. Notice Letter from John L. Forgy Lawyer, Counsel to HISA to Secretary of of Federal Trade Commission
- b. HISA is a private organization.

MARCH 4, 2026: RESPONSE TO: FEBRUARY 13, 2026; ECM Charge of Controlled Medication Rule Violation, Covered Horse: Protest; Sample #B200053581.

- c. No Constitutional Rights given in writing or orally by a representative of HISA, HIWU or the Federal Trade Commission.

Short Review

Thoroughbred Race Horse named Protest won the seventh race at Tampa Bay Downs Race Course ,“on January 14, 2026. Protest was taken directly to the Test Barn by a Florida licensed groom Roberto Mader. The employees of the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulations, at the test barn, reportedly took samples of urine and blood from “Protest” to ship for analysis. Some the Test Barn employees only initialed the Sample Collection Form, no readable signature. The Blood SAMPLE Identification Label was #B200053581. The owner of the horse Protest, Carla March, wife, received the winning purse a few days later. The new Independent agency, HIWU, is attempting to have the Trainer, William E. March return the winnings for the alleged positive post race test for a legal substance Phenylbutazone. The use of Phenylbutazone has been proven safe and approved for use in Florida before January 2016. However, HIWU did not follow their own rules, they demanded the purse be returned before proving a violation had occurred.

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Florida Licensed Thoroughbred Horse Trainer



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