PERFORMANCE INDUSTRY SUMMIT 2013

Saturday, May 4, 2013

TWHBEA Building—Lewisburg, Tennessee

Designed to give busy and informed performance industry stakeholders an opportunity to compare ideas, develop and advance a plan for effective self-regulation, scientific analysis, communication and education.

Moderator: Christy Lantis, VP Performance, TWHBEA

Registration, Meet and Greet

8:00-8:30 AM

Light breakfast will be provided.

I. Defining the problem – Where are We Now?

8:30-9:30 AM

This segment is designed to provide only the most recent update information to an audience of industry representatives and stakeholders who are presumed to be informed and aware of industry developments and problems.

- A. **Status of the horse in the field**. Updates on the status of and issues with presentation, inspection and perception from the perspective of the people who show and inspect.
- B. **Status of One HIO/Performance Horse Council.** To present the Performance Horse Council plan and matrix as passed by the Walking Horse Trainers Association.
- C. **Legislative and political update**. A quick update on efforts made to date with regard to the Whitfield amendment and more general efforts, and the reaction thereto.

II. Informational Presentations.

9:30-11:00 AM

- A. Positions of AAEP, AVMA, American Horse Council. Meant to identify the positions of these organizations and their recommendations for effective self-regulation, and how to work with these groups on a going forward basis.
- B. What's the Science? Proving Solutions are Safe and Humane. The practical aspects of organizing a study to show the effectiveness of proposals generated by this

group. Cost, time involved, and methodology of studies comparable to the Auburn study to show the effect of any alternative devices or techniques proposed by this group. Discussion of the Auburn results with existing devices.

A working lunch will be provided.

III. Finding the solution

11:00-1:30

This segment is designed to give an open forum for panelists and participants in the audience to propose realistic and concrete solutions for a comprehensive and effective plan of self-regulation. The product of this discussion should be a comprehensive plan behind which all industry groups can unite.

- A. Inspection Techniques and Protocols, including Swabbing
- B. Action Devices
- C. Pads
- D. Shoe Weights
- E. Pressure Shoeing
- IV. Selling and Financing the solution

1:30-2:00

- A. Communicating the Product of this Summit to the Industry.
- B. Team Building among Industry Organizations.
- C. Political solutions.
- D. Public Relations/Education.