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STEWARD'S RULING

A report from the University of California, Davis, Kenneth L Maddy Equine Analytical Chemistry Laboratory, the official Chemist of the National Steeplechase Association, reported that blood sample 20335, taken from the horse "Westerland", who finished first in the fifth race at Radnor on Saturday, May 18, 2024, tested positive for "Dexamethasone" in the amount of 30 pg/ml of plasma, which exceeds the maximum permitted concentration under the 2024 NSA Medication Guidelines for controlled therapeutic substances.

On June 7, 2024, trainer Katherine S. Neilson was notified by the Stewards of Radnor of the adverse finding. She requested a split sample which was analyzed by UIC Analytical Forensic Testing Laboratory and supported the adverse finding on July 10, 2024.

The horse "Westerland" is hereby disqualified for all purse monies in the fifth race on Saturday, May 18, 2024. The purse is ordered to be redistributed as follows: 1st – Exuma (\$9,000); 2nd – Giantsbane (\$2,700); 3rd – Fox In The Park (\$1,500); 4th – Lord Donegal (\$1,050); 5th – King Of The Kids (\$750).

Trainer Katherine S. Neilson is hereby fined \$1,000.

Refer to National Steeplechase Association – Rules of Racing, Chapters 5.2B, D, 6.3B, C, 7.8C, and 10.2.A.

Rug Howard Presiding Steward