

Australian Racing Board Limited

2nd September 2008

Dr Brendan Nelson MP PO Box 6022 House of Representatives Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Dr Nelson,

Re: Horse Disease Response Levy Collection Bill

I am advised that the above mentioned Bill is to be debated in Parliament this week. I am therefore writing to advise that the Australian Racing Board supports this Bill in its present form with a \$0 levy.

We also support the implementation of a financial levy be held in reserve in the case of an exotic disease outbreak which would only be used in that instance with the Federal Government to negotiate a fee.

If you have any queries regarding the Australian Racing Board's stance on this Bill please feel free to contact me at any time.

Yours sincerely,

RC (Bob) Pearson

Chairman

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