INSTANT RACING Enhancing Tradition Through Technology

Presented by The Stronach Group

and

Portland Meadows

Oregon's Tradition of Horse Racing

- The Oregon legislature first authorized wagering on horse races in 1933.
- The enabling legislation requires horse wagering to be "pari-mutuel."

What is Pari-Mutuel Wagering?

- Patrons wager between themselves, rather than against the house.
- All wagers are combined into a "pool." The racetrack deducts a set percentage from the pool, and distributes the remainder to the winning patrons.
- The racetrack has no stake in the outcome of the race or the wagers.

Original Wagering Options (limited by technology)

- Win, Place and Show were the only wagers.
- Wagers were accepted only at the track running the race.
- Wagers were accepted only on the next race.

Today's Wagering Options

(made possible by advances in technology)

- Advance Wagers (Same Day and Future Day)
- Multi-Horse Wagers (Exacta, Trifecta, etc.)
- Multi-Race Wagers (Daily Double, Twin Trifecta, etc.)
- Multi-Payout Wagers (Pick Six, Magna 5, etc.)
- Wagers accepted on races conducted at other tracks
- Self-Service Tote Terminals
- Instant Racing

What Is Instant Racing?

- Pari-Mutuel wagering using handicapping information
- Based on the official results of horse races
- Conducted at licensed, regulated racing facilities

How is Instant Racing Different From Traditional Horse Wagering?

Historic Races

- The Instant Racing system contains over 200,000 previously run horse races.
- When a race is presented to a patron for wagering, all identifying information is withheld from the patron until after the wager has been irrevocably placed.
- Although the identities of the race and the horses are withheld from the patron, the patron is provided with actual handicapping information to use in making an informed wager.

The Benefits of Technology

- Not intimidating to new patrons.
- Eliminates the "down-time" of traditional horse wagering.
- Presented through updated self-service tote terminals designed for prolonged individual play.

The Benefits of Technology

- Each patron wagers on a different race.
- Each wager is automatically split into various pari-mutuel pools.
- Patrons have more opportunities to play and win.
- Patrons can increase their chance of winning by using the handicapping information provided for each race.





Same Year

Percent 1st - 2nd Finishes - Lifetime



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Instant Racing in Oregon

- Instant Racing was approved by the Oregon Racing Commission in 2003.
- Instant Racing was previously conducted in Oregon at Multnomah Greyhound Park.
- Portland Meadows planned to launch Instant Racing in 2008 and sought approval from the Oregon Racing Commission.
- It was ultimately determined by an Oregon court that the existing pari-mutuel statute did not cover Instant Racing.

Next Steps

- Passage of enabling legislation.
- Additional investment by The Stronach Group in facility improvements at Portland Meadows.
- Introduction of Instant Racing at Portland Meadows in late 2013.
- Promotion and marketing of Instant Racing as an additional amenity at Portland Meadows.

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