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Notice to the Industry

Ontario Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program – Payment of the *Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive*

The *Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive* is a bonus payment earned by fillies participating in the *Princess Stakes Futurity* and the *Princess Stakes Derby* at Ajax Downs. To provide clarity on the payment of the Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive, the Ontario Racing Commission is providing the following information:

1. The intent of the *Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive* is to encourage quality fillies, qualified through their participation in the *Princess Stakes Futurity* and the *Princess Stakes Derby*, to remain in Ontario as Ontario Accredited Broodmares for their breeding career. The *Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive* is earned by fillies who have successfully qualified for the *Princess Stakes Futurity* and the *Princess Stakes Derby* each year at Ajax Downs.
 - For 2007, the top eight (8) contenders in the *Princess Stakes Futurity (2007)*, earned an *Incentive* of \$6,000. The following eight (8) contenders in the *Princess Stakes Futurity (2007)* earned an *Incentive* of \$4,000.
 - For 2008, the top eight (8) contenders in the *Princess Stakes Futurity (2008)*, earned an *Incentive* of \$6,000. The following eight (8) contenders in the *Princess Stakes Futurity (2008)* earned an *Incentive* of \$4,000.
 - For 2008, the top eight (8) contenders in the *Princess Stakes Derby (2008)* earned an *Incentive* of \$6,000. The following eight (8) contenders in the *Princess Stakes Derby (2008)* earned an *Incentive* of \$4,000.
2. The *Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive* is credited to the filly. A certificate will be issued (by the Program Administrator) to the filly owner of all eligible fillies after each respective race. The certificate will be redeemable for its face value by any future owner who qualifies under the rules. Certificates will be issued in January 2009 to past qualifying owners from 2007 and 2008.
3. The *Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive Certificate* is redeemable by application to the Program Administrator when the filly (mare) qualifies as an eligible Ontario Accredited Broodmare, which means:
 - The mare meets the residency requirements in the year in which she is an Ontario Accredited Broodmare, including foaling out in Ontario.

- Broodmares that do not come to term, may be eligible for redemption of the Incentive Certificate by special application to the Program Administrator.
4. Filly/Mare owners should also note that the published criteria for the *Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive* includes the following deadlines for redemption of the Incentive Certificate:
- Owners of fillies that earned eligibility in 2007 (i.e. raced in 2007), must apply for the incentive payment no later than 2011.
 - Owners of fillies that earned eligibility in 2008 (i.e. raced in 2008), must apply for the incentive payment no later than 2012.
 - Fillies earning eligibility in 2009 (i.e. racing 2009), must apply for the incentive payment no later than 2013.

The 2009 Ontario Quarter Horse Racing Industry Development Program Criteria will define the eligibility for the *Princess Stakes Breeding Incentive* for fillies competing in 2009.

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