



**RICK SNYDER**  
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
**MICHIGAN GAMING CONTROL BOARD**  
DETROIT

**RICHARD S. KALM**  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In the matter of:

Northville Racing Corporation  
Assignment of Interest in Race Meeting License and Simulcast Permit to  
John Carlo, Peter Battista, Margaret Zayti Partnership,  
d/b/a Northville Downs

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### **ORDER GRANTING TRANSFER AND ASSIGNMENT OF RACE MEETING LICENSE**

On July 13, 2011 Northville Racing Corporation, Inc. and Northville Downs submitted a request to the Executive Director asking that he approve the transfer and assignment of the 2011 Race Meet License and 2011 Simulcast Permit held by Northville Racing Corporation to Northville Downs. The request is approved.

The Executive Director has the power and duty to administer the provisions of the Horse Racing Law of 1995, Public Act 279 of 1995; MCL 431.301 *et seq.*, and the promulgated administrative rules relating to licensing, enforcement, and regulation. Those duties include the governing, restricting, approving, or regulating of horse racing, pari-mutuel wagering on the results of horse races, and simulcasting conducted at licensed race meetings within this state. Additionally, he has those additional powers necessary and proper to implement and enforce the Racing Act and to regulate and maintain jurisdiction over the conduct of each licensed race meeting within this state where horse races or pari-mutuel wagering on the results of horse races is permitted for a stake, purse, prize, share, or reward.

The Executive Director is charged with the promoting of the safety, security, growth, and integrity of all horse racing, pari-mutuel wagering on the results of horse races, and simulcasting conducted at licensed race meetings within this state. He has the duty to protect and preserve the integrity of horse racing, pari-mutuel wagering, and simulcasting at licensed race meetings. The Executive Director finds that the requested assignment of interest meets those objectives.

In support of the approval, and under the duties prescribed, the Executive Director finds the following:

- Under its 2011 Standardbred Race Meeting License, Northville Downs was approved to conduct live horse racing meets from February 11, 2011 through April 30, 2011;
- Under its 2011 Simulcast Permit, Northville Downs was approved to simulcast horse races to and from its licensed race meeting to the full extent permitted by the Act and the rules during the term of its 2011 Standardbred Race Meeting license;
- Under its 2011 Standardbred Race Meeting License, Northville Racing Corporation was approved to conduct live horse racing meets from September 2, 2011 through November 19, 2011;

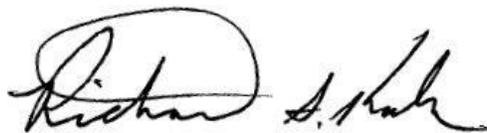
- Under its 2011 Simulcast Permit, Northville Racing Corporation was approved to simulcast horse races to and from its licensed race meeting to the full extent permitted by the Act and the rules during the term of its 2011 Standardbred Race Meeting license;
- The transfer and assignment would consolidate operations under the management of Northville Downs;
- The appropriate contracts have been executed and reviewed to ensure that there are no issues with simulcasting, including but not limited to the import and export of signals;
- The appropriate contracts and obligations with the Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association have been assumed;
- The appropriate lease has been executed and reviewed to ensure that there are no issues with the landlord, Northville Driving Club Corporation; and
- It is in the best interests of harness racing for Northville Downs to assume the license in order to maintain existing jobs and afford financial stability and economic efficiencies to have viable horse racing at Northville Downs;

The Executive Director has determined and concluded that Northville Downs complies with the standards and the requirements for maintaining the race meeting license and simulcast permit held by Northville Racing Corporation. Northville Downs is now subject to the terms and conditions of the licensing orders issued to both entities.

**IT IS ORDERED** that the request by Northville Racing Corporation, Inc. to transfer and assign its entire right, title, and interest in its 2011 Standardbred Race Meeting License and 2011 Simulcast Permit to Northville Downs is granted.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Dated: July 28, 2011

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Richard S. Kalm, Executive Director  
Michigan Gaming Control Board