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TOBA Announces Appointment of Dr. J. David Richardson to American Graded Stakes Committee

LEXINGTON, Ky. –TOBA today announced the appointment of Dr. J. David Richardson to a three-year term on the American Graded Stakes Committee. Dr. Richardson replaces Fred Seitz, whose three-year term had concluded. Richardson joins prior TOBA appointees Peter Willmott, chairman, John Amerman, Rollin Baugh, Seth Hancock, and Bill Heiligbrodt and Racing Official Members Rogers Beasley, P.J. Campo, Michael Dempsey, Michael Harlow and Tom Robbins.

The committee will next meet on December 2 in Lexington for its annual grading session.

TOBA, based in Lexington, Ky., was formed in 1961 and is a national trade organization leading Thoroughbred horse breeders and owners. TOBA's mission is to "*improve the economics, integrity and pleasure of the sport on behalf of Thoroughbred owners and breeders.*" Projects managed by TOBA include the American Graded Stakes Committee, Sales Integrity Program, The Racing Game, and Claiming Crown. Thoroughbred Charities of America is the charitable arm of TOBA. TOBA is the owner of The Blood-Horse, Inc., and is represented on the Board of Directors of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association as a founding member. More information on TOBA appears on www.toba.org.

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