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DECISION

RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS and

JIM CERCHI

Date of Hearing 29 June 2017

<u>Heard By</u> Judge Bowman (Chair)

<u>Appearances</u> Simonette Foletti appeared on behalf of the RV Stewards.

Andrew Nicholl of the ATA appeared on behalf of Mr Cerchi.

Charge AR 178E(1)

Notwithstanding the provisions of AR 178C(2), no person without the permission of the Stewards may administer or cause to be administered any medication to a horse on race day prior to such

horse running in a race.

<u>Particulars</u> On 8 June 2017 Mr Cerchi administered or caused to be

administered a medication, namely Chest Rub Ointment

(comparable to Vicks VapoRub), to the nostrils of *Petrov* which was engaged to run in Race 9 at Racing.com Park Synthetic that

day.

<u>Plea</u> Guilty.

<u>Decision</u> Mr Cerchi convicted and fined \$1,500.

Payment terms - 30 days.