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Chief Executive Officer
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Re: 2018 Convention Sponsorship

Regional Vice Presidents
Rick Hiles
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Dear Affiliate,

National HBPA is very excited to plan your 2018 Annual Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana! We will begin on March 13th and continue through March 16th, concluding with our members' full board meeting on March 17th. We are looking forward to having the Astor Crowne Plaza Hotel be our Big Easy meeting site.

Secretary/Treasurer
Lynne Schuller

We cannot do this without you. Each year our national convention grows. It can only be successful with the help from each affiliate.

General Counsel
Peter Ecabert

The NHBPA Annual Convention is open to anyone in the racing industry such as an owner, breeder, trainer, veterinarian, rider, agent, racetrack official or operator, and the many others involved. Our goal is to bring as many together for networking, sharing concerns, and to become educated on topics affecting our national horsemen. WE all represent the important perspective of our owners and trainers in addressing and helping shape the future of the Thoroughbred racing industry.

Veterinary Advisor
Dr. Thomas Tobin

The NHBPA March event will be the only time elected HBPA horsemen from across the country will, through committee meetings, panels and presentations, discuss issues and challenges the industry is facing. Please remember that your affiliate is a part of the largest Thoroughbred horsemen's association in North America and represent approximately 30,000 owners and trainers throughout the United States and Canada.

The NHBPA's goal is to provide leadership and help shape the future of the Thoroughbred racing industry. Discussions at the convention will revolve around topics such as equine nutrition, exchange wagering, equine veterinary topics, equine research and legal updates, member benefits, matters regarding equine aftercare, and media relations.

Details such as the agenda, as well as registration and hotel arrangements will be posted on the NHBPA website at www.nationalhbpa.com when available. As this is our only convention in 2018, we hope you and others from your affiliate can attend.

As you move forward with your 2018 budget, we encourage each affiliate to be generous when allocating convention sponsorship monies towards your annual convention. As always, any help is very much appreciated and is stretched as much as possible. If you should you need additional information on a sponsorship, please do not hesitate to call either me at (859) 259-0451.

Sincerely,

Eric J. Hamelback
CEO, National HBPA

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