DECISION

Protest and Request for Redress

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Request No.: 02: FS - PHRF 2 - 149 - Rob Wyers

A&C - 2 - CAN 32835 - Umi Taka - Roger Van Vlack Bob Wilson

Race Committee

Witnesses: Race committee

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

Decision: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Hearing request form was submitted in order to protest the other boats in Division 2 by Kaila as it was alleged that they did not start in accordance with SI 10.2 and thus should have been scored DNS. As this is a scoring issue, and allegation that the RC erred, the PC changed it from a protest to a redress request.

FACTS FOUND

Wind was light and variable near the Division 2 start. Signal flags may have been difficult to see.

At the four minute mark of the sequence, papa came down. There was a wind shift of approximately 180 degrees and the RC chair advised her committee to prepare the AP flag.

Prior to the start, the AP was raised with 2 sound signals in accordance with RRS 27.3.

The Division 2 flag was not lowered, nor was there a sound signal to indicate the start of the race in accordance with RRS 26.

Diagram: No Diagram Needed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

Rules: 26, 27.3, 62.1(a)

1. There was neither an improper action nor omission of the race committee. Therefore, the requirements for redress in RRS 62.1(a) are not met.

DECISION

Redress is not given.

Date & Time:

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Wendy Loat (CAN) Committee Members: Petra Fischer (CAN) Simon Mielniczuk