DECISION

**Request Number: 05** 

Heard Jointly With Number(s): 04

**Event: Tahoe Yacht Club Summer Beer Can Series** Race Number:

Hearing Date: 2018-07-31

**PARTIES AND WITNESSES** 

Initiator: PHRF - 3 - 77 - Moorigami - John Siegel

Respondent(s): PHRF - 3 - 143 - U Blow - Blake Hoffman

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Yes

**DECISION:** Request Valid

## **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

## **FACTS FOUND**

- 1. Moorigami was sailing downwind on port approaching the leeward mark.
- 2. U-Blow was to leeward sailing a higher course.
- 3. Moorigami and U-Blow entered the zone overlapped.
- 4. Moorigami hit the leeward mark to avoid a collision with U-Blow.
- 5. There was no contact between the boats.
- 6. Neither boat took a penalty.
- 7. Both boats finished.
- 8. Moorigami and U-Blow engaged in language at the incident and after which included personal insults including "asshole" and "bitch".

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

## **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

- 1. U-Blow as outside overlapped boat at the zone, failed to give Moorigami mark-room, as required by RRS 18.2(b)
- 2. Moorigami failed to avoid touching a mark of the course as required by RRS 31, but is exonerated under RRS 21(b).
- 3. By knowingly using inappropriate language, both boats failed to compete in compliance with the principles of sportsmanship and fair play, as required by RRS 2

**Date & Time:** 2018-07-31 19:00 PDT

- 1. Protest Upheld
- 2. Moorgami is to be scored DSQ for race 4.
- 3. U-Blow is to be scored DSQ for race 4.

## **PROTEST COMMITTEE**

Chaired By: Paul Zupan (USA)

Committee Members: Dan Hauserman (USA), Gary Redelberger (USA)

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