**DECISION** Request No.: 01

**Protest and Request for Redress** 

Event: Spring Wednesday Night Racing Series Race Number: 1

Hearing Date: 2020-07-02

**PARTIES AND WITNESSES** 

Request No.: 01: Class 2, Melges 24 - AUS 219 - Blue Dream - Rudi Arnston

Class 2, Melges 24 - USA 680 - Rock Steady - Chay McIntosh

Witnesses: Blake Hoffmann

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**

Hearing was conducted on Zoom.

Ryan Conner represented Blue Dream in lieu of Rudi Arnston.

Blake Hoffmann and Chay McIntosh from the protested boat were in the Zoom Room initially.

The Code of Conduct was read to all participants and all participants agreed to accept the Code of Conduct.

Chay was identified as the party to the protest. Blake went into the Zoom Waiting Room as the witness.

No objections to any members of the protest committee.

SI 13.2 Protest forms are available online at www.ussailing.org/competition/rules-officiating/judges. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be emailed to the TYC not later than noon on Thursday following the race.

Protest form was emailed before noon on July 2, 2020

## **FACTS FOUND**

Blue Dream presented their testimony.

Rock Steady presented their testimony.

Both testimonies mentioned Personal Puff in the description of the incident.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

## **CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY**

Personal Puff may have been involved in the incident.

**Date & Time:** 2020-07-02 20:56 UTC

The PC closed this hearing and filed a new hearing request to include Blue Dream, Rock Steady and Personal Puff as parties.

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Thomas Allard (USA)

Committee Members: Gary Redelberger (USA), Danielle Lawson (USA)

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