DECISION Protest

Event: 29er World Championship Race Number: 1 Hearing Date: 2016-07-25

Request Number: 10

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: NED1706 Lauren Waller

Respondent(s): AUS1934 Thomas Cunich

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Protest hailed

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

- 1. NED1706 was sailing on a starboard tack near head to wind just prior to the start.
- 2. AUS1934 was on a port tack on a collision course.
- 3. NED1706 tried to tack but could not do so quickly as they were down speed.
- 4. AUS1934 collided with NED1706 on the port side of NED1706's bow.
- 5. AUS1934 confirmed that he was required to keep clear.
- 5. The collision caused a small 1 inch hole in the rail of NED1706.
- 6. Neither boat took a penalty turn.

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

AUS1934 failed to keep clear of NED1706 and broke RRS 10. AUS1934 failed to avoid contact with NED1706 and broke RRS 14. AUS1934 knowingly broke RRS 10 and chose not take a penalty under RRS 44.1, breaking RRS 2

DECISION

Protest Upheld AUS1934 is to be scored DNE for race 1. Date & Time: 2016-07-25 17:52 CEST

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Eric Mehlbaum (NED) Committee Members: Bence Borocz (HUN), Sylvie Harle (FRA), Eric Mehlbaum (NED), Claudio Uras (ITA), Paul Zupan (USA)

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