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I, NEVILLE CLYDE STEWART of

in the State of Queensland, do solemnly and sincerely declare that: -

- 1. As I have never been a member of the entities referred to in paragraph 1 of the Schedule attached to the Requirement document received from the Queensland Racing Commission of Inquiry (the "Schedule"). I am not aware of the adequacy and integrity of, and adherence to, the procurement, contract management and financial accountability policy, processes and guidelines
- I was not involved in any negotiations or contractual arrangements between Queensland Racing and Contour Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd.

When I was Chairman of the Toowoomba Turf Club the Committee approached Queensland Racing for assistance to replace or refurbish the grass racing track.

The idea of an all-weather track was proposed by Queensland Racing Limited, discussed by the Committee and approved.

3. I did not have any involvement either personally or as the Chairman of the Toowoomba Turf Club in the contractual arrangements between Queensland Racing and Contour Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd and therefore cannot comment on whether the contracts between those two (2) bodies were underpinned by sound procurement practices and whether appropriate payment policies and processes were implemented and

adhered to.

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The Toowoomba Turf Club was informed that Contour Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd would be engaged to lay the all-weather track. The only involvement of the Toowoomba Turf Club with Contour Consulting Engineering Pty Ltd was that two (2) Committee Members were appointed to liaise with Contour Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd.

- 4. As I was not a member of the board of Queensland Racing Limited I do not have any knowledge of the adequacy and integrity of, and adherence to, the procurement, contract management and financial accountability policy, processes and guidelines.
- Again as I was not a member of the board of Queensland Racing
 Limited I have no knowledge of the workplace culture and practices of
 Queensland Racing.
- 6. I do not have any knowledge of the appropriateness of any involvement of the Boards of Queensland Racing Limited during the relevant period in the exercise of functions by the executive management team and other key management personnel, including the officer holding the position of company secretary and those involved in integrity matters.
- 7. I have no knowledge of the adequacy and appropriateness of Queensland Racing Limited corporate governance arrangements.
- 8. I have no knowledge as to whether there was a sufficient and appropriate oversight by the responsible Minister, executive government and chief executive, including under the provisions of the *Racing Act 2002* (Qld), for the operations of Queensland Racing.

 I do not have in my possession or control any documents which would be relevant to the enquiry.

AND I MAKE this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act 1867 - 1974

29TH day of JULY

2013.

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