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California Veterinary Medical Board 2005 Evergreen Street - Ste 2250 Sacramento, CA 95815

To: California Veterinary Medical Board Re: Dr. Tim Eastman's failure to provide veterinary care for injured animals at the California Rodeo Salinas

Tim Eastman, of the Steinbeck Country Equine Clinic was the veterinarian of record for the 2013 California Rodeo Salinas. In his injury report, Mr. Eastman claimed that he only treated three injured animals during the entire rodeo. I was present at the rodeo and slack for all four days, and I have video evidence that there were twenty-three animals that had visible injuries.

You can view the evidence here: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SAYBFzS7770

According to California Veterinary Medical Board website, it states that, "Anyone who witnesses or believes that a licensed veterinarian or unlicensed person's behavior or activities may cause harm (or the potential for harm) to animal patients or may be illegal, can file a complaint."

As the veterinarian of record for the rodeo, Mr. Eastman had a duty to care for the animals under his care. That he allowed up to twenty animals who suffered visible injuries to go untreated means that by his inaction, these animals were caused harm.

My complaint, therefore, is that Mr. Eastman, a licensed veterinarian, ignored injured animals that were under his care.

Sincerely,

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Steve Hindi, President SHowing Animals Respect and Kindness