



PEOPLE FOR  
THE ETHICAL  
TREATMENT  
OF ANIMALS

May 29, 2025

Boyd Browning, Jr.  
President & Chief Executive Officer  
Fasig-Tipton Company, Inc.

Dear Mr. Browning,

Thank you for taking the emergency measure of restricting the final day of the 2025 Midlantic May Two-Year-Olds In Training under tack show to gallops only, in the interest of horse safety. It was the cautious thing to do in the wake of the gruesome death of a filly on the sloppy Timonium track, just one day after her second birthday.

We urge you now to take the next sensible and humane step to make “gallop-only” a permanent policy beginning with the juvenile auctions in the spring 2026, eliminating the reckless timed breezes.

This death was not an anomaly. It was yet another preventable fatality at under tack shows that, as you know, PETA has documented for the past 15 years. Trying to inflate top tier sales prices through breakneck furlong times is dangerous and damaging to physically immature juveniles. It jeopardizes careers and lives as well as racing’s social license to operate, and it’s not an accurate predictor of future racing success. The excellent results from the Midlantic sale demonstrated that educated buyers can evaluate horses through more reasonable metrics and that they will financially support gallop-only auctions.

Please do the right thing to end the carnage permanently.

Best,

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