

1 CHAIRPERSON JAMES: Our first panel this morning will
2 be on the current industry structure and will provide us with --
3 I think we just lost some sound here. We're back. Will provide
4 us insight on the operations and changing context and conditions
5 of the pari-mutuel industry. The speakers have eight minutes
6 each to summarize their written testimony, and I would encourage
7 them to do that, which will -- the written testimony, the entire
8 portion of it will be a part of our official record. After which
9 the Commissioners will have an opportunity to ask questions.
10 Speakers, I would encourage you to please keep your eyes on the
11 lights, and we have a timer that's sitting right over here, and
12 she will give you cues as to where we are in the process.

13 Our speakers include, and as you hear your name I
14 would ask that you come forward, The Honorable Kenneth Maddy,
15 member of the California State Senate; Mr. Tony Chamblin,
16 President of the Association of Racing Commissioners
17 International; Mr. Joseph Harper, President and General Manager
18 of the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club; Mr. Robert Manfuso, owner of
19 Chanceland Farm; and Mr. Timothy Smith, board member of the
20 National Thoroughbred Racing Association.

21 I remind our distinguished panelist that in appearing
22 before this Federal Commission, you are presumed to be under
23 oath, and I'd like to start this morning with Mr. Harper and
24 thank him yet again for all of the assistance and pulling
25 together this meeting and we are looking forward to our visit
26 this afternoon.

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