## In the matter of the Canadian Anti-Doping Program;

## And in the matter of an anti-doping rule violation by Gérard Louis Robert asserted by the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport;

## File Outcome Summary

## **Summary**

- 1. The Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES) conducted in-competition sample collection at the Quebec Track Cycling Championships in Bromont, Quebec.
- 2. Mr. Gérard Louis Robert ("the athlete") was selected for doping control. The sample provided by the athlete returned an adverse finding for Testosterone. Testosterone is classified as prohibited substance on the 2016 World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Prohibited List in the category of "S.1 Anabolic Agents".
- 3. The athlete exercised his right to a hearing which took place on March 1 and 2, 2017. Arbitrator Patrice Brunet ruled that the athlete had committed an anti-doping rule violation and imposed a four (4) year sanction which commenced on October 11, 2016 and concludes on October 10, 2020 at midnight. The full reasoned decision can be found on the CCES website.
- 4. On April 17, 2017 the athlete submitted a request for an appeal to the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) in accordance with CADP Rule 13.2.2.
- 5. Following the athlete's submission for an appeal, the CCES received new information from the Union Cylciste Internationale (UCI) that the athlete had a previous anti-doping rule violation dating back to 2009 in France. A two (2) year sanction was imposed.
- 6. Upon reception of this information, CCES submitted its own appeal to the SDRCC on April 26, 2017 claiming that the original notification letter to the athlete was incorrect and that i) a second anti-doping rule violation be asserted and ii) the proposed sanction be eight (8) years in accordance with CADP Rule 10.7.1c).
- 7. On May 17, 2017 the athlete waived his right to an appeal hearing and accepted the revised eight (8) year sanction proposed by the CCES for a second anti-doping rule violation.
- 8. The sanction for this second violation is an eight (8) year period of ineligibility which commenced on October 11, 2016 and concludes on October 10, 2024 at midnight in accordance with Rules 10.2.1, 10.7.1c) and 10.11.3 of the CADP.

9. The CCES now considers this case closed.

Dated at Ottawa, Ontario this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2017.

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