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Get Big Tobacco Out of Rodeo



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Did you know that 1 out of 10 teenage boys uses spit tobacco?

The US Smokeless Tobacco Company (USSTC) is a national sponsor of Professional Bull Riders, Inc. (PBR), and they are the title sponsor of the US Smokeless Challenger Tour. This has given them a platform to promote their spit tobacco to millions of people each year. At Oklahoma City's Ford Center, February 15-18, 2007, PBR will host the first ever US Smokeless Challenger Tour Championship, which will offer one million dollars in prize money.

These promotions (including tobacco-sampling booths) are influencing our kids. **Help us get spit tobacco OUT of rodeo!**

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Send Your Letter Now

Subject:

Dear Mr. Ty Murray and Mr. J.W. Hart:

I am writing to you because I believe you have an important opportunity to demonstrate your commitment to rodeo being a mainstream and family-oriented sport. We would like to encourage Professional Bull Riders, Inc. (PBR) to reject further sponsorship from the US Smokeless Tobacco Company (USSTC). We would like to encourage you to choose a sponsor that is not affiliated with a controversial issue like tobacco.

Kids admire cowboys and look up to them as role models. Furthering an association between rodeo events/riders and smokeless tobacco sends the dangerous message that using smokeless tobacco is healthy and "cool." PBR and its riders should promote a healthy, tobacco-free lifestyle to our kids.

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This letter will be sent to the following individual(s):

J.W. Hart, PBR Board Member and Ty Murray, PBR President

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Smokeless tobacco can lead to oral cancer, gum disease and nicotine addiction in addition to increasing the risk of cardiovascular disease. One out of ten teenage boys uses smokeless tobacco. This amounts to nearly 880,000 kids (a little less than the population of Montana) who put their health at risk. I urge you to do your part to keep kids healthy and end PBR's association with USSTC.

PBR can choose sponsors for events like the PBR World Finals and the US Smokeless Challenger Tour Championship. By rejecting USSTC's sponsorship, PBR can achieve its goals of becoming a mainstream, family-oriented sport.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my comments. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Your name
Your street address
City, State Zip

