Dear Mr. Moroney:

Thank you for submitting your request for a Presidential Modification to GR302.1h and GR315.7. A Presidential Modification is granted in cases of extraordinary, special circumstances. When measured against that criterion, it has been determined that your request does meet the standard for a Presidential Modification and therefore is approved.

As a result, these rule modifications are effective immediately and throughout the 2023 competition year as listed below.

**GR302 License Application Policies and Procedures**

   h. License Modification. Any changes to the License Agreement including location, dates, rating, level, or prize money, will require a license modification request and payment of a fee. Any modifications resulting in a conflict will result in the loss of Priority Date Holder status. Any modification not resulting in a conflict shall comply with the provisions set forth below in order to retain Priority Date Holder status. The Federation may or may not approve the requested changes. In its sole discretion, the Federation may permit a competition requesting to reclassify to a different rating or level to retain its Priority Date Holder status. Exception: Eventing competitions without mileage conflict requesting changes outlined in GR302.1h5 must follow the Eventing competition modification process outlined in GR302.2g.

**GR315 Mileage Exemption**

7. Competitions with an approved mileage exemption which have been held for two or more consecutive years may apply for designation as a perpetual mileage exemption. If approved, the competition shall apply annually for renewal under GR 302.3. To be eligible for this designation, the competition must indicate this request on the application and pay the requisite mileage exemption fee. Any conditions associated with the approved mileage exemption shall remain in place. Upon receiving this designation, any changes to location, rating and/or level will result in loss of this designation and the competition will be required to apply for a mileage exemption. (Exception: Competitions may be permitted to retain perpetual mileage exemption status when requesting to reclassify to a different rating or level in the Federation’s sole discretion.) Designated perpetual mileage exemption competitions shall have the applicable mileage protection against new competitions. This does not preclude the Federation from granting additional mileage exemption requests for new competitions to be held within any mileage boundary. The Federation may revoke this designation at any time.
Should you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Thomas F. X. O’Mara
President

cc: Lisa Owens, Managing Director of Competitions and Athlete and Horse Services
    Katlynn Wilbers, USEF Director of Competition Licensing, Evaluation and Safety