DECISION Protest

Event: Opti Heavy Weather Regatta Race Number: 5 Hearing Date: 2016-06-19

PARTIES AND WITNESSES

Initiator: Henrik Moberg Parker, CAN 1477

Respondent(s): Race Committee

Witnesses: Ben Foox, USA 15552; Mattias Parker

VALIDITY

Objection to Jury: No

Within Time Limit: Within Time Limit

Incident Identified: Yes

Proper Hail: Hail not required

Red Flag Displayed: Not required

DECISION: Request Valid

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

FACTS FOUND

- CAN 1477 and USA 18315 approached start line for race 5 on port tack close to the pin end.
- The I-flag had been displayed for this start.
- CAN 1477 slowed by luffing, then accelerated across the line.
- The RC saw CAN 1477 on the course side at the start and called them OCS. CAN 1477 did not clear herself by crossing an extension of the starting line.
- USA 18315 was immediately to windward of CAN 1477 at the line and USA 15552 was clear ahead of both. They were not called OCS

Diagram: Diagram not endorsed

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

CAN 1477 was correctly found to be on the course side at the start and broke rule 30.1

DECISION Redress Denied

Date & Time: 2016-06-19 11:12 PDT

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Chaired By: Grant Baldwin (USA) Committee Members: Grant Baldwin (USA), Dick Watts (USA)