



## AMERICA'S CUP

### **REGATTA DIRECTOR NOTICE #34**

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#### **Re: Approvals Granted for Sailing in Oman**

In accordance with Protocol Article 25.6(f), the ACEA Commercial Commissioner has approved a request from Emirates Team New Zealand to sail their AC45 for the purposes of a photo shoot on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> February in Oman. This photo shoot is required by ETNZ to satisfy sponsor commitments. As further evidence of the commercial nature this sailing will be, the full race crew will not be on board. ETNZ plans to use shore crew who are part of the list of 11 people as required by Protocol art. 25.6(e) to fill the missing crew positions and has not asked to make any exceptions to this list. This approval is given based on ETNZ agreeing that there will be no additional cost (such as crane fees, etc.) to the other Competitors, Venue, ACEA or ACRM for this sailing.

The ACEA Commercial Commissioner and I will allow other Competitors the option to do commercial sailing on the Thursday afternoon in Oman under the same conditions as approved for Emirates Team New Zealand. Alternatively, we will look favorably on similar requests from other Competitors that may prefer to use times prior to other Louis Vuitton America's Cup World Series regattas to do such commercial activities.

I have also granted permission to ORACLE TEAM USA to sail with a 360-degree camera as a test for ACTV on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February during the practice racing. This is a prototype concept ACTV is investigating as part of the on board media package for the AC Class yachts.

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