## The 2010 Lusitano Collection<sup>TM</sup> Announces Event Sponsors

MIAMI (November 11, 2009) -- The 2010 Lusitano Collection<sup>™</sup> is proud to announce its sponsors for The 2010 Lusitano Collection<sup>™</sup> International Horse Auction which will take place at The Jim Brandon Equestrian Center in West Palm Beach, Florida. Cecilia Gonzaga, managing director at Interagro Farm, announced, "We are fortunate to have such dedicated supporters." The 2010 sponsors include the publications: Canadian Horse Journal, Dressage Today, Horse Connection Magazine, Palm Beach Post and Warmbloods Today; as well as Red Barn, The Jim Brandon Equestrian Center and Cantor & Webb P.A.

The Lusitanos, imported from two renown breeding farms in Brazil, Interagro Farms and Coudelaria Rocas do Vouga, have been carefully selected to include a combination of horses that may be suitable for professional, amateur and junior riders. Ms. Gonzaga comments, "They are trained by experienced riders, are FEI caliber, and are x-rayed and evaluated by a board of veterinarians from the Palm Beach Equine Clinic." Interested buyers may make an appointment to try-out the horses on February 24th and 25th.

The official charitable partner of The 2010 Lusitano Collection<sup>TM</sup> is the Equestrian Aid Foundation which assists those in the horse community suffering from catastrophic injury or illness during their time of need. The EAF will be featured on Friday night, February 26th, during the Reception and Collection Showcase when The Lusitano Collection<sup>TM</sup> auctions off a rose gold plateau ring donated by the exquisite Italian designer Vhernier to benefit the non-profit organization. The evening's feature performance is a quadrille composed of eight returning 2008 and 2009 Collection horses as well as the anticipated parade of the 2010 Collection horses. The event culminates on Saturday evening, February 27th, when guests will be treated to musical entertainment before the gala dinner and auction.

For tickets or more information about The 2010 Lusitano Collection<sup>TM</sup> International Horse Auction, go to <u>www.lusitanocollection.com</u> or call the ticket office at (877) 546-7393. For more information about EAF, go to <u>www.equestrianaidfoundation.org</u>.

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