Applied Materials Silicon Valley Turkey Trot Added to 2015 PA Short Road Grand Prix (PA Open Division Individual Scoring Only)

(July 5, 2015) After careful consideration, the PA/USATF LDR Executive Committee has approved a very late bid from the <u>Applied Materials Silicon Valley Turkey Trot</u> 5K to serve as a championship on the 2015 PA/USATF Short Road Racing Grand Prix schedule. The Turkey Trot is scheduled for Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2015. Now in its 11th year, the San Jose race has served as a PA 5K Championship/Grand Prix event for open individuals in all of its previous 10 years.

The Turkey Trot submitted a very late bid on July 1 for this year's Championship after deciding last Fall *not* to bid. Recently, however, several members of the event's Executive Committee appealed that decision to the Executive Race Director, and a decision was made to submit the late bid based on the importance of retaining a commitment to PA open runners who, year after year, have added depth, and a local element of interest, to the Trot's very deep elite field.

The Association of Road Race Statisticians has ranked the Applied Materials Silicon Valley Turkey Trot as the #4 5K in the WORLD all-time in total "quality performances." For details go to http://www.arrs.net/ and click on "RACES/Quality Performances."

The 5K includes:

- Separate races for elite men and elite women (all PA men and women run in the same races as the elites)
- Prize Purse Total: \$25,000 (includes U.S. record bonuses)
- PA/USATF Open Men and Women (Individuals):
 1st \$500, 2nd \$350, 3rd \$250, 4th \$200, 5th \$100, 6th \$50

U.S. 5K Record Bonuses \$5,000 for the first U.S. male and/or female setting a U.S. 5K open road record

^{*} Double dipping is allowed between All-Comers and PA/USATF prize purses. PA/USATF prize money is awarded to PA/USATF members only.