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## TRG Charges to Unprecedented Fifth Grand-Am Win of Season in Montreal





**August 3, 2007** – Team TRG posted another of its patented come-from-behind wins Friday evening during Round 11 of the Grand-Am Rolex Series presented by Crown Royal Special Reserve at the Circuit Gilles-Villeneuve in Montreal, Canada.

The TRG No. 66 CRG/Maxter Porsche GT3 driven by RJ Valentine and Andy Lally made it a total of five GT-class wins for the 2007 Grand-Am season, including previous victories at Laguna Seca, Watkins Glen, Mid-Ohio and Iowa Speedway. The win in Montreal also marks the team's fifth GT-class win in the past eight races.

Valentine qualified the No.66 in 15th-place and took the green flag for the two-and-a-half hour race on the 2.71-mile, 15-turn road course. He ran a strong first stint to stay on the lead lap and turned the car over to Lally in pristine condition. Lally took over and in his traditional style picked his way to the front of the pack to set up a late race showdown.

As the field entered the final circuit of competition coming off a full course yellow, the No.66 sat in second-place shadowing the No. 87 of Dirk Werner. True to form, Lally took advantage of crowded conditions to make an incredible pass for the lead in the hairpin turn more than half-way into the last lap to secure the win.

"This is absolutely incredible," said Lally. "This win is great and I want to thank RJ for being such a terrific teammate and TRG for giving me the awesome cars I need to run up front. We're now in second-place in the points and we have our sights set on another championship for TRG."

"Wow, what an unbelievable day," said TRG team owner Kevin Buckler. "RJ and I were both pretty nervous on the start because we knew what a big race this was and usually there's a lot of carnage here. RJ did a great job of keeping the car on the lead lap until Andy took over. Great pit stops, great strategy and great teamwork by the TRG crew put us up front by the half-way mark. We had terrific battles with the No. 87 (Werner) and the No. 07 (Paul Edwards), but in the end 'last-lap-Lally' came through one more time to put on a great move in traffic and take the win for us. Unbelievable!"

RJ stated, "Being in the racing business for as long as I have, I've never been involved with a more professional, organized team effort. Kevin and Lars Giersig, our engineer, always make incredible strategic calls and we always have the best set up on our cars. And Andy is a class of his own. I have never had a better co-driver!"

The second entry for TRG was the No. 67 TRG 500FastCash Porsche GT3 of driver teammates Scott Tucker and Ed Zabinski. Tucker started from 12th on the grid and ran strong to climb into the top-10 before turning the car over to Zabinski who drove a terrific stint until an eventual transmission failure forced the car out of the race.

"Scott had a great run in the beginning and did an absolutely fantastic job taking the car from 12th up into the top-10," said Buckler. "Following lots of yellows and being forced into the wall he drove his tail off and kept it on the lead lap. He turned it over to Ed who also drove a stellar stint until an eventual transmission failure knocked them out of the race. Up to that point those guys did a great job."

The No. 66 of Valentine and Lally now sit in second-place in the Championship points battle, just five points out of the lead.

More excitement was heralded as the Team TRG entered its first ever NASCAR Busch Series Race on Saturday with a terrific head of steam. TRG founder Kevin Buckler partnered with the Wood Brothers/JTG Racing to field the Clorox/TRG for Fusion for driver Andy Lally on the inaugural Busch Series Race at Circuit Gilles-Villeneuve. Lally qualified the #47 car 12<sup>th</sup> and worked his way up to 6<sup>th</sup> when the transmission expired. The team will compete at Watkins Glen this coming week.



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