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F1 Air Victorious at Mid-Ohio

Lexington, OH – August 27, 2005: F1 Air was victorious for the third time this season at the EMCO Gears Classic at Mid-Ohio on Saturday, August 27. Kelly Collins and Tom Milner Jr. did the impossible by overtaking the entire GT field in the course of the race, after a small technical infraction discovered before the race relegated the duo to the back of the grid for the start. Collins methodically picked his way through the packed field of Porsches, Pontiacs and Ferraris in his #21 F1 Air BMW M3, before handing off to teammate Tom Milner Jr. at approximately half-distance. When Milner made his last stop for fuel with nearly 50 minutes left to race, the decision was made to leave him in the car, rather than risk losing track position in the time necessary to make a final driver change. Consequently, RJ Valentine did not drive in the race, though he was thrilled to see his teammates take the win.

Valentine said, "Kelly and Tom did a fantastic job in the car today – for the team to overcome the adversity of starting from the back of the grid is a testament to the professionalism with which they approach racing. When it came time for me to get in the car, we calculated that it would take more time to execute the driver change than we had over the next car on the grid – the gap was too small. So, in the interest of winning the race, we left Tom in, and he delivered for us."

On the final restart of the race, with only seven laps remaining, Milner challenged the #65 Pontiac GTO.R, and came through the corner a nose ahead of the powerful Pontiac. Milner then tested the limits of the nimble PTG BMW M3, extracting every bit of performance out of the car to edge the Pontiac by less than four seconds.

"This is the third win for F1 Air this season," commented Valentine, "and I'm proud of everyone for the effort. I said after the last race that it's best to be magnanimous both in victory and in defeat, but tonight I'm going to let myself be pretty happy about this race!"

RJ Valentine and F1 Air race next at Phoenix International Raceway on Friday, September 9. Coverage will be on Speed Channel.

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