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Championship Winning PTG Racing Signs RJ Valentine for 2005 Grand-Am Rolex Series



Winchester, VA - December 7, 2004 Performance Technology Group (PTG), the factory BMW racing team and 2004 Grand-American GT-class champion, has signed endurance racing legend RJ Valentine to contest the 2005 Rolex Sports Car Series in a BMW M3. The team will combine strength with strength by adding Valentine to its potent driver's lineup, as it combines the team's celebrated history and mechanical innovation with RJ's years of experience and rapid pace at North America's best circuits.

Valentine, a Boston-based business leader and accomplished road racer, is fresh off of a highly successful 2004 racing season, as he and teammates Chris Gleason and Ian James battled the PTG BMW's to 3rd place in the GT class driver's championship. Teaming with Valentine in the 2005-spec M3 will be sportscar star Kelly Collins, a former Corvette works driver and winner of the 12 Hours of Sebring, and the Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona.

"I've known and raced against [PTG Team Principal] Tom Milner for ten years, and having the opportunity to race for his team is incredible," said Valentine. "He is a consummate pro, and his top priority is to win - whether in business or in racing, that's the kind of attitude I seek out in people. I thought he was joking when he approached me about running the season with him, but I'm thankful for the opportunity and looking forward to the first day of testing at Daytona."

BMW and its brand attributes mirror the qualities that Valentine instills in all of his businesses. F1 Air, a premier-class jet charter service, is run with a focus on quality, professionalism and luxury performance, as is BMW, characteristics which set both F1 Air and BMW apart in the minds of businesspeople and upscale consumers everywhere.

PTG has a long history of victories in American sports car racing, including team championships in the IMSA, Sports Car, USRRC, ALMS, Grand-Am Cup, Grand-Am Rolex and SCCA Pro Racing series. The team puts its drivers in a position to win, as evidenced by five driver's championships in various series since 1995. Some of the world's most famous drivers have competed for PTG, including Bobby Rahal, Elliot-Forbes Robinson, Arie Luyendyk, Paul Newman, David Donohue and Rick Mears. 2005 looks to be an especially competitive season for the team, as the Rolex Series condenses its former SGS and GT classes into one massive class. Increased competition from Porsche, Ferrari, Maserati, Acura, Ford, Pontiac and Dodge is expected, but PTG has countered the competition's plans with an extremely robust driver's lineup. While RJ Valentine and Kelly Collins will drive one car, 2004 Rolex GT champion Bill Auberlen will return with Joey Hand, 2004 ALMS LMP2 champion Ian James will partner Chris Gleason, and Justin Marks will team with the sensational Tom Milner, Jr. The team has set its goal a clean sweep of the top four places in the team and driver's championship, and will battle all season to do so.

Valentine summed up, "It's going to be a great season with PTG - to be racing with such a storied team is a fantastic step in my racing career, and teaming again with my friends Chris Gleason and Ian James will be extraordinary. It was wonderful to have those two in my car in 2004, but we'll do well to push each other on the track in competing cars this year. I'm thrilled to be driving with Kelly as well, he's had such great success racing in Porsches and Corvettes all these years, I'm excited to learn from him and take advantage of his natural skill and speed in the car. Neither of us make many mistakes, so we'll be a formidable duo this season."

Sponsors of the Valentine/Collins PTG BMW M3 will be:

F1 Air, a Premier Class Jet Charter Service - <http://www.flair.com>
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The 2005 Grand-American Rolex Car Series schedule is as follows:

January 7-9 Daytona Test Days (Florida)
February 3-6 Daytona 24 Hours (Florida)
March 3-5 Homestead (Florida)
April 1-3 Fontana (California)
April 29-May 1 Laguna Seca (California)
May 19-21 Mont Tremblant (Quebec)
June 10-12 Watkins Glen (New York)
June 29-30 Daytona (Florida)
July 29-31 Watkins Glen (New York)
August 26-27 Mid-Ohio (Ohio)
September 8-10 Phoenix (Arizona)
September 22-24 Watkins Glen (New York)
October 7-9 Virginia International Raceway (Virginia)
December 2-4 Mexico City (Mexico)