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**RJ Valentine: “Some days you’re the cat, some days
you’re the mouse... “**



Watkins Glen, NY -- August 8, 2003 – In what he termed typical schizophrenic New England summer weather, RJ Valentine and the #3 Cegwa Sport Toyota Daytona Prototype (DP) ran the Grand-Am Bully Hill Vineyards 250 on Sunday, finished 5th in class and 6th overall.

Valentine, a highly successful businessman and accomplished professional sports car driver from Braintree, Mass., had highly capable co-drivers at the famous Watkins Glen circuit. Long-time driver Darius Grala and Valentine partnered with NASCAR star Robby Gordon, who later swept the Winston Cup season’s

road races, by winning the Sirius at the Glen. Gordon won the series' only other road race, held at Infineon Raceway in Sonoma, California, and satisfies his need for road racing in the off season by frequenting F1 Boston, America's premier indoor karting facility.

Valentine, whose MBA Group is one of the most diverse holding companies in the Northeast, experienced tire difficulties due to the inclement weather. "The weather was crazy for the race, typical of New England in summer," explained the Boston businessman. "Darius started the race on rain tires, as the track was soaked for the start. He drove a great stint, and as I got in the car, we decided to stay out on the rains. Within 8 laps, the track had dried out significantly, and the tires started to blister. We had to come in to change the tires back to slicks, and in the process, we surrendered a spot. If we wouldn't have had problems with the tires, our result would have been higher. What can I say? Some days you're the cat, some days you're the mouse."

Driving with Robby Gordon was a lot of fun for Valentine, however. "It was a great experience for me to drive with Robby – he's a great driver and he was very fast the first time out in the car. Robby is loads of fun, and a little crazy, like me. His win at Infineon earlier this year showed people that he's a serious road racer, and I was very comfortable with him chasing down the leaders late in the race."

The next race on the schedule for Valentine is the Grand-Am 6 Heures du Circuit Mont-Tremblant, held at the famous course outside of Montreal, Quebec, on September 19 – 21.

For more information about Valentine's companies, including F1 Boston, America's premier indoor karting facility, visit <http://www.F1Boston.com>.

For pictures of the Grand-Am Bully Hill Vineyards 250, visit <http://www.grandamerican.com/photos/index.cfm?id=55>