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To: All Star Mazda Championship presented by Goodyear Teams
From: Gary Rodrigues
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Re: Tires / Wings / Photos

1) Tires - testing of the new Goodyear radial racing tires designed specifically for the Star Mazda Championship cars reached its conclusion during the series open test at Sebring on January 28-29. Consultation between Goodyear engineers, test drivers retained by the series and the Star Mazda staff has resulted in a final tire construction/compound that we feel is safe, well-suited to the car, provides increased feedback to the driver and performs consistently throughout the life of the tire.

Production of this new generation of tires, in both wet and dry configurations, has begun, and we have been informed by Goodyear that they will make production versions available simultaneously to all Star Mazda Championship teams in Sebring on Sunday, March 9. No team will receive tires in advance of this date. There will be a sufficient supply of tires available for the two test days (March 10-11), practice, qualifying and the first race of the 2008 Star Mazda Championship season.

2) Wings - Strengthening and certification testing of the new wings will be taking place this week. Production versions will be shipped to teams for arrival during the week of February 22, which should provide sufficient time to get them painted and installed prior to Sebring race week.

3) Photos – The series had a photographer shooting pictures of the teams that tested at Sebring. To access photos, please go to: <http://pa.photoshelter.com/gallery-show/G0000EqnrS0stEIY>. The password is: testing129. Please note that these photos are for internal team use, PR and marketing purposes only. Use of these images in advertising requires an additional fee paid to the photographer.

Note: *The deadline for photos and editorial for the Sebring program is Monday, February 11. If any new information and-or photos about your team and drivers becomes available between now and then, please communicate with Peter Frey ASAP (StarMazdaPR@aol.com or (818) 906-6997). In the absence of any additional information, current drivers and photos from the Sebring test will be used for the program.*

Regards,
Gary Rodrigues