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NextEra Energy Resources 250- Daytona International Speedway

TOP-15 FINISH FOR RON HORNADAY AND JDM AT DAYTONA

Race: NextEra Energy Resources 250

Date: February 24, 2012

Location: Daytona International Speedway

Starting Position:12th Finishing Position:14th Owner Points Position: 14th

Daytona Beach, **FL (February 25, 2012)** - Ron Hornaday, Jr. made his debut in the No. 9 Anderson's Maple Syrup Chevrolet for Joe Denette Motorsports in Friday night's NASCAR Camping World Truck Series (NCWTS) NextEra Energy Resources 250 at Daytona International Speedway.

Making his ninth start at the 2.5-mile superspeedway, Hornaday practiced patience before making a charge to the front of the field with 20 laps to go. With three attempts at a green-white-checker finish, the veteran driver would hold on to a top-15 position in a last-lap shoot-out that ended in a three-truck accident in the tri-oval.

While the No. 9 Anderson's Maple Syrup Chevrolet suffered damage on the last lap of the 109-lap event, Hornaday was able to finish 14th, his fourth top-15 finish at the "World Center of Racing".

Joe Denette Motorsports teammate, Max Gresham, had an impressive run but was involved in a lap 101 incident that relegated the rookie to a 26th-place finish in his NCWTS debut at DIS.

Ron Hornaday Quotes:

"I was really happy with my Anderson's Maple Syrup Chevrolet tonight. We were just lying low and waiting for the right time to take the charge. We had it timed perfectly and I really thought I had a shot to get Chevrolet their first win here tonight. When it was all said and done, we just didn't have anyone to work with. At one point, I was pushing Sauter and then he went with the 23. We got shuffled to the middle of a 3-wide draft and just lost momentum. With all the green-white-checker finishes, we weren't able to make any ground."

Notes:

- Hornaday is currently 13th in the 2012 NCWTS driver point standings
- The average running position for Hornaday and the No. 9 Anderson's Maple Syrup Chevrolet in Friday night's NCWTS event was 10.046
- The 53-year-old veteran spent 95.4 percent of the 109 lap event in the top-15 (104 of 109 laps)
- Hornaday had a driver rating of 92.2 (6th overall) in the NextEra Energy Resources 250

Up Next:

The NASCAR Camping World Truck Series will take four weeks off before heading to Martinsville Speedway for the Kroger 250 on Saturday, March 31. The 27th NCWTS event at the .526-mile oval

will air live on SPEED at 1:00 p.m. ET.

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