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JRD Motorsports is pleased to announce new technology partnership agreements with two of Europe's most accomplished rallycross preparation outfits. Engine builder Trollspeed AB of Trollhättan, Sweden and chassis builder Ingvar Gunnarsson Motorsports AB of Öxnevalla, Sweden, will provide JRD Motorsports exclusive rights to their proprietary technical designs. Both Trollspeed and Ingvar Gunnarsson Motorsports are highly respected and successful in the rallycross car development business having come together to produce many European Rallycross Championship winners.



The Trollspeed/Ingvar Gunnarsson Motorsport built Skoda of Lasse Larsson, is flying towards victory in the European Rallycross Championship.

Trollspeed is the engine supplier for teams such as Per Eklund (SAAB), Stig-Olov Walfridsson (Renault), Michael Jernberg and two time European Champion Lasse Larsson (Skoda). Ingvar Gunnarsson Motorsport built rallycross cars have won an amazing 5 European Rallycross Championship titles in the past 6 years. Drivers include Sverre Isachsen (Ford), Lasse Larsson, (Skoda), Stig-Olov Walfridsson (Renault), Frode Holte and Ludvig Hunsbedt (both Volvo).

"We are very excited about this opportunity. The rally sport is in our DNA.", said Johan Ragnarsson, President of JRD Motorsports and a native of Sweden. "As part of the Panoz motorsports power house, our team has unique access to all imaginable technical resources. The partnership with Trollspeed and Ingvar Gunnarsson Motorsports means that we can now offer ultra-competitive European rally and rallycross technology made here in North America to North American car manufacturers and competitors."

JRD Motorsports will offer complete "ready-to-race" rally and rallycross cars, rolling chassis, drivetrains, and track support. For the purpose of testing, JRD Motorsports has constructed its own private rally track adjacent to its facility in Braselton, GA.

Rally and rallycross have gained incredible popularity in North America in recent years and are now included in ESPN's X Games. Iconic participants such as drivers Travis Pastrana, Ken Block, and Tanner Foust also bring expanded interest. The Global Rallycross Championship series www.global-rallycross.com recently signed a three year television agreement with ESPN for live broadcast of its races. As the North American automotive marketplace is shifting towards small and fuel efficient vehicles, rally and rallycross have become powerful and relevant marketing tools for car manufactures. Ford, Hyundai and Subaru are currently participating with factory supported teams and several other car manufacturers are expected to follow.

JRD Motorsports, located outside Atlanta, GA is a newly formed subsidiary of JRD Tuning. JRD Tuning has been the official tuner of Panoz vehicles and the in-house R&D and prototype arm of the Panoz organization for over 10 years. Panoz is the manufacturer of the Panoz Esperante road cars, exclusive chassis manufacturer for the Super League Formula Series and the former Champ Car Series, as well as a three time Indy 500 winner (chassis supplier). Panoz GT2 cars have won at the 24 hours of Le Mans and 12 Hours of Sebring road racing events. Panoz currently owns and operates the American Le Mans Series and 2 world class road racing tracks.

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