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GRAND-AM Making History At Indianapolis, **109 Cars Entered For Friday's Races**

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (July 25, 2012) – Traffic has never been heavier at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. GRAND-AM competes at the legendary venue for the first time on Friday, with a whopping 109 entries for the Rolex Sports Car Series and Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge races to open Kroger Super Weekend at the Brickyard.

GRAND-AM will race on Friday using the 2.534-mile, 13-turn road course that was last used by race cars in the 2007 United States Grand Prix Formula One race. The NASCAR Sprint Cup Series and NASCAR Nationwide Series will compete on the 2.5-mile oval on Saturday and Sunday – making it the first time that IMS has used both courses on the same weekend.

The Rolex Series will compete in the Brickyard Grand Prix, with the three-hour race serving as the final round of the inaugural North American Endurance Championship presented by VISITFLORIDA.com. The event has 34 entries, including 11 Daytona Prototypes and 23 for the production-based GT class.

The Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge has a 75-car field, 36 in the Grand Sport and 39 in the Street Tuner classes.

All GRAND-AM action will be condensed into one day, with practice and qualifying beginning at 8 a.m. The IMS pit road will be open at noon for a Fan Walk for all of the competitors from both series.

The Brickyard Grand Prix starts at 4:10 p.m. ET Friday (SPEED, 4 p.m. ET; MRN Radio live). The Brickyard Sports Car Challenge is set for 1 p.m. ET (SPEED, August 5 at noon ET). Fans can follow live timing and scoring at www.GRAND-AM.com, as well as live updates from the GRAND-AM Facebook page or Twitter @RolexSeries and @CT_Challenge accounts. Official Twitter event hashtags are: #SuperWeekend, #GAonSPEED, #NAEC.