

## KENTUCKY SPEEDWAY YIELDS ANOTHER TOP-TEN FINISH FOR DREYER & REINBOLD RACING IN 2008

SPARTA, Ky. — Even with a fuel pickup problem that ran him out of fuel early from the second stint on, Buddy Rice brought home another hard-earned top-ten finish in Saturday night's Meijer Indy 300 at the Kentucky Speedway.

Rice started 15th and quickly made his way into the top-ten, running eighth by lap 14. As the race progressed, Rice dropped one spot back to ninth, but during the lap 81 caution period, quick work by the Dreyer & Reinbold crew in the pits moved Rice back into eighth.

In Rice's third stint, the handling on the car went away a bit, and he gave back some positions cycling to 11th. To compound issues, the car's fuel line wouldn't pickup all the ethanol in the fuel tank. Before Rice's last stop, his fuel pressure was dropping at a sudden rate earlier than anticipated in his stint, and his engine wasn't making full power without the proper fuel flow.

The team refueled the car on lap 182, but rather than taking a shorter tank of ethanol for a quick 18 lap sprint, the crew was forced to spend extra time in the pits to take on more fuel than usual to compensate for the pick-up problem. He also pitted more than seven laps earlier than the majority of the pack, forcing the team to take on that much more fuel, costing even more time.

Still, on the track, he ran strong enough to position himself for a top-ten, and when the checkered flew, he found himself with his sixth top-ten of the season with his tenth-place finish.

His teammate, Milka Duno, found herself running a strong race. She had tested at the facility the week before, and the lessons learned gave her and the CITGO team a lot of confidence coming into the event. She put in one of her best qualifying performances of the year, and in the race, she was running a solid pace.

On lap 134, something went awry with Duno's front suspension, causing her to lose control in Turn 2, and even with as much steering effort she put in to try and save the car, there was nothing she could do as she was no longer in control. The car found the Turn 2 wall, disappointingly ending the run of the CITGO car.

From here, Dreyer & Reinbold Racing will enjoy a weekend off before heading to the west coast for the Peak Antifreeze & Motor Oil Indy Grand Prix of Sonoma County at the Infineon Raceway. The event can be seen live in HD on August 24th at 5 p.m. EST on ESPN2.

### QUOTES

**#15 DREYER & REINBOLD RACING Honda Dallara Driver Buddy Rice**

“It’s great to get another top-ten finish for Roll Coater, Honda, and Dreyer and Reinbold Racing, and we were on pace to finish a little higher up than we did. Our qualifying run on Friday was decent. We should have been a little bit faster, but it allowed us to start closer to the front and closer to the faster pack. We showed in the race that we can run up with that front pack on the 1.5-mile ovals. From the second stint on, we were held back a bit with a fuel pressure problem that ran us out of fuel early on each sequence. We managed to make the best of the situation that we could. We’ll take this result, build on it, and look to finish higher up in Sonoma.”

**#23 CITGO/DREYER & REINBOLD RACING Honda Dallara Driver Milka Duno**

“For the majority of the race, we had a good race car. I was running flat and gaining momentum. It was during lap 131 that I felt something break. I had no way to control the steering. The left front suspension broke, which is why I hit the fence on Turn 2. If this would not have happened, I am confident we would have had a good result at the checkered flag.”