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Andretti Finishes Eighth for A1GP Team USA at Chengdu

CHENGDU, China (Nov. 9, 2008) – Coming from a starting position of 15th, Marco Andretti moved up seven places to take the checkered in eighth place for Team USA at the Chengdu International Circuit.

Andretti, who finished 15th in the morning's sprint race, quickly made up ground in the feature race. By lap 16, Andretti was into the top 10 in the ninth position. When the leaders came in to pit on lap 16, Team USA moved into the top three. Andretti was back into eighth when the final yellow came out on lap 38 where he remained for the final 12 laps of the race.

Portugal claimed the feature race victory. Ireland, who won the sprint race, was followed by Great Britain, Switzerland and Malaysia rounded out the feature race top five.

Andretti's eighth place finished scored another three points for Team USA, who is now in 12th place in the championship standings.

The next A1GP World Cup of Motorsport event is scheduled for Sepang, Malaysia, Nov. 21-23. Practice is slated for Nov. 21, qualifying for Nov. 22 and race day takes place Nov. 23. For more information, please visit www.a1gp.com.

Marco Andretti, Andretti Green Racing, Team USA:

"The weekend started out with our bad luck in qualifying, which carried over to race day as it turned out to be a track position race. Unfortunately, it was very hard to pass here and making it to the end with no mistakes was what mattered. The results weren't bad considering how new we are to the series and the little experience we have with the car. I am definitely optimistic about the future, we have our work cut out to close the gap but I think it's possible."

A1GP Chengdu Sprint Race Results		
Pos.	Team	Laps
1	Ireland	18
2	Netherlands	18
3	Great Britain	18
4	Switzerland	18
5	South Africa	18
15	USA	10

A1GP Chengdu Feature Race Results		
Pos.	Team	Laps
1	Portugal	51
2	Ireland	51
3	Great Britain	51
4	Switzerland	51
5	Malaysia	51
8	USA	51

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