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Corum Continues To Sponsor Singapore Race Car Driver Melvin Choo In The Porsche Carrera Cup Asia 2009

Singapore, 4 April 2009 - Leading Singapore race car driver Melvin Choo, of Thunder Asia Racing, has announced that lead sponsor Corum will continue to sponsor his 2009 race participation in the Porsche Carrera Cup Asia 2009.

"We are especially privileged to be working with Melvin again with sponsoring his Porsche GT3 at the Porsche Carrera Cup Asia in 2009," says Deepa Chatrath, Regional Managing Director, Corum Singapore. "We rally behind his races this year, and sincerely wish every success for Melvin."

"Corum is a brand that resonates with my passion for race car driving, for it is a brand that understands the importance of time and zeal. I am encouraged by the continued support from Corum, especially in this economic climate. It is a privilege to dress my Porsche with Corum colors for the entire Porsche Carrera Cup Asia in 2009 once again," says Melvin Choo, ThunderAsia Racing.

About Corum

Nothing embodies Corum Watches more than their motto: "Superb craftsmanship combined with the endless search for beauty and innovation." This simple idea, formed in 1956, has catapulted Corum to the prestigious ranks of the foremost Swiss Watch Manufacturers in the world. A commitment to excellence that still exists today. While keeping a firm grasp on the Swiss watch-making fundamentals and origin, Corum always focuses forward into the future in order to constantly stay on the cutting edge. Corum is a Swiss watchmaker based in La Chaux-de-Fonds, Canton of Neuchâtel. Founded in 1955, it makes high-quality luxury watches. Corum's core collection lies within the 4 main pillars - Admiral's Cup, Romvlvs, Golden Bridge and Specialties.

About Melvin Choo

Melvin Choo (# 69) is the first Singaporean race driver to achieve a remarkable feat of chalking up 30 race participations in 2008, with a total of 7 victories, 8 podium finishes and 5 pole positions in three different cars, Aston Martin, BMW and Porsche, representing accomplishment through expertise.

Becoming the Class B winner in the JPM Integra Championship in Malaysia, jumpstart his racing career in Asia in 2006. In 2007, Melvin took part in some of the most prominent races in Asia; AFOS Asia Touring Car Series (AFOS ATCS), where he finished second in Division 2 and third overall, Asian Touring Car Cup, where he

finished second overall and awarded the fastest front wheel driver and JPM Integra Championships, where he was third overall.

2008 was Melvin's breakthrough year where he successfully raced in four renowned high profile events in motorsports; FIA World Touring Car Championships (FIA WTCC), AFOS Asia Touring Car Series (AFOS ATCS), Aston Martin Asia Cup (AMAC), and Porsche Carrera Cup Asia (PCCA).

It is also the year he placed Singapore on the international map of motorcar racing as the first and only South-East Asian to race at the FIA WTCC well known for its stringent qualifying process, and by achieving the rare task of scoring points in his debut FIA WTCC race in Okayama, Japan.

About Thunder Asia Racing

Thunder Asia Racing is an experienced racing team with a portfolio of more than 10 years of major race participation and more than 72 racing vehicles built to date. The team has participated in 4 of the highest profile race events in Asia, with 3 of the most prolific racing cars in the world (BMW, Aston Martin, and Porsche). The race drivers' cumulative experience totals more than 100 years between them, and has 32 race wins of 52 races throughout the 10 years of competition. The team has past involvements with factory teams for Honda, Proton, and Lotus.

About Porsche Carrera Cup Asia

The Porsche Carrera Cup Asia started in 2003. It has quickly become the premier sports car series in the region with a good following, proving itself to be a highly-competitive and professional racing series. Since its debut in 2003, the Porsche Carrera Cup Asia has visited China, Macau, Indonesia, Malaysia, South Korea and Thailand. In 2009, the series will once again support the Singapore leg of the 2009 FIA Formula 1 World Championship on the Marina Bay street circuit. With the 911 GT3 Cup (Type 997) tailor-made for customer motorsport with near-standard vehicles, the model marks a clear step towards a thoroughbred racing car. It enters the 2008 motorsport season with engine output increased to 420 bhp. Equipped with a six gear sequential gearbox, changing gears under full throttle saves precious split seconds.

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