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## Press Release

### CONSISTENCY PAYS OFF

#### *Magnaflow UK car challenges for top honours in 170mph championship*

**Magnaflow UK**-supported driver, Mike Luck, moved in to second place in the 2006 Stock Car Speed Association (SCSA) Championship standings after an eventful couple of races at the 55,000-seater Rockingham Motor Speedway last weekend.

The rapid Midlander is carrying the Magnaflow UK name on to the race track this season as part of a sponsorship agreement that has been set up to support the ongoing promotion of the brand in the UK marketplace.

And Magnaflow UK's association with the Revolution Torquespeed Racing team is already beginning to pay dividends – two meetings in to what is already proving to be an ultra-competitive season.

After finishing fifth and sixth respectively in the two races that were held in Northamptonshire at the weekend, Luck has taken himself and the Magnaflow UK name to second place in the SCSA Championship – only 90 points off the overall lead.

“We are proving to be the models of consistency at the moment and that's great because we're right up there in the championship,” Luck said. “But there is definitely more to come from the car in terms of its set up and I know we can be on the podium before the end of the season.”

Luck's progress in the first SCSA race was hampered by wet weather in the lead up to the start of the 20-lap race. A lack of track time meant he didn't get the settings on his hefty V8-powered machine quite right for the race. Fifth place proved to be a strong result, in light of the circumstances.

And Luck was hoping to improve on this for the second race – until a universal joint on his car's propshaft failed. It happened just as Luck was making his way to the starting grid and he was forced to pull in to the pits to have the damage repaired.

With the race underway without him, the engineers in the Revolution Torquespeed Racing team worked tirelessly to get



Luck's car back up and running in little over ten minutes. It was a supreme effort and although Luck rejoined and finished the race 14 laps behind the winner, his tenacity ensured he scored some valuable points for finishing in sixth place.

Luck added: "It's the worst possible scenario when something on the car fails just as you're about to take the start, but the guys in the team did a cracking job to get me back on the track so quickly and we managed to get some more points in the bag as a reward for their efforts. I'm pretty pleased with that."

Luck and Magnaflow UK will now turn their attentions to the third round of the SCSA Championship that takes place on July 8-9 at the Rockingham Motor Speedway complex near Corby.

Magnaflow UK managing director, Paul Tomlinson, said: "There has been lots of interest in the brand since we put our name on Mike's car and if he continues to impress like he has done so far this season, we could have something very memorable to celebrate at the end of the year.

"Magnaflow UK's decision to get involved with the SCSA was a right one because it is already providing us with a strong link between our American connections – with famous racing driver Mario Andretti – and the performance strengths of the products that we have on offer."

### ***Championship standings***

- 1 Oli Playle (Team West-Tec) 795 points
- 2 Mike Luck (Revolution Torquespeed Racing) 705 points**
- 3 Colin White (CWS Racing) 580 points
- 4 Mark Willis (Steward Racing) 410 points
- 5 John Steward (Steward Racing) 405 points
- 6 Shane Brereton (Team for Trucks) 375 points

### ***Race one results:***

- 1 Oli Playle (Team West-Tec) 12m 34.218s
- 2 Colin White (CWS Racing) +3.01s
- 3 John Steward (Steward Racing) +7.58s
- 4 Shane Brereton (Team for Trucks) +23.97s
- 5 Mike Luck (Revolution Torquespeed Racing) +36.16s**
- 6 Steve Dance (Team Catchpole) +1 lap

### ***Race two results:***

- 1 Oli Playle (Team West-Tec) 23m 26.10s
- 2 John Steward (Steward Racing) +1 lap
- 3 Shane Brereton (Team for Trucks) +1 lap
- 4 Keith White (CWS Racing) +1 lap
- 5 Tony Hurdle (Revolution Torquespeed Racing) +2 laps
- 6 Mike Luck (Revolution Torquespeed Racing) +14 laps**