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BRAWN GP CONFIRMS NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH WILLANS

Brawn GP is pleased to confirm that the team has agreed a new partnership with Willans, the world's leading brand of racing harnesses, who become a Team Supplier for the 2009 Formula One season.

Manufactured by Stockbridge Racing in the UK, Willans harnesses have been used as essential safety equipment for all forms of motorsport since 1967. From Formula One to Nascar and IRL to Rallying, the company has supplied top motorsport teams around the world and to date supported 19 Formula One World Champions and achieved 252 Grands Prix victories.

Ross Brawn, Team Principal of Brawn GP said: "We are extremely pleased to have reached an agreement with Willans to use their racing harnesses in the Brawn-Mercedes cars this season. Driver safety is absolutely paramount in Formula One and the sport is continually taking steps to improve our safety record. We are very proud to be working closely with one of the most successful and dedicated harness manufacturers in motorsport."

Simon Perkins, Managing Director of Stockbridge Racing commented: "We are delighted to have been chosen as the official harness supplier for Brawn GP. Whilst our harness is already the lightest of its specification in Formula One, we look forward to working closely with the team in our continual quest for lighter and safer driver equipment. We would like to thank Brawn GP and Jenson Button for helping us to achieve the milestone of 250 Grands Prix victories using Willans harnesses."

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Notes to Editors

Willans is the leading brand of racing harness and has been manufactured by Stockbridge Racing in the UK since 1967. The safety of race car drivers has been at the heart of the company's culture since its creation. Whilst high-profile motorsport is the most demanding part of the business, with many top drivers requesting bespoke harnesses for single seaters, rallying, prototypes and saloon cars, it is complemented by a range of standard harnesses for all different types of competition vehicle. All harnesses are produced with the same high quality of workmanship and design. Willans have also been the choice for more extreme and pioneering applications including the 1997 Thrust SSC land speed record car, the 72ft Virgin Atlantic Challenger powerboat which recorded the fastest time ever to cross the Atlantic and the MIR Space Station.

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