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## DESPITE DISAPPOINTMENT, NUR ALI DRIVES DIVERSITY MESSAGE AT DAYTONA

Daytona Beach, Fla. (February 8, 2009) - Nur Ali had hoped to deliver his 'Driving Diversity' message to victory lane in Saturday's Lucas Oil Slick Mist 200 ARCA RE/MAX Series race at Daytona International Speedway, but his race was cut short after being involved in a multi-car accident on lap 30. He finished 38<sup>th</sup>.

"I'm so disappointed," said Ali, who started 35th. "I had made my way into the top 10 and had a super fast car. Our strategy was to run with the leaders and make our move in the final laps. Everything was going according to plan when a few cars in front of me got together. After that, it all went wrong."

With spinning cars all around, the Fort Worth, Texas resident snaked his way though the carnage and came to stop against the turn four wall. As Ali was preparing to pull away from the wreck, his car was struck by two out of control cars.

"I had the wreck missed and would have been able to continue if those two cars had not spun into me," continued Ali, driver of the No. 45 A to Z Wholesale Dodge. "The damage was beyond repair."

Ali, the only Asian-American in the series, carried the message 'Driving Diversity' on the rear bumper of his car. He carried the phrase to show his support of the drive to bring a diverse group of drivers and fans to the sport.

"Despite the problems we had on track, we were successful in delivering our message," said the Pakistani born driver. "I'm proud of how far I've come in my career and hope I can inspire others to follow my example. Stock car racing is for everyone. I'm living proof."

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