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TEAM MOORE RACING TESTS VENEZUELAN STAR MAZDA CHAMPIONSHIP STANDOUT JORGE GONCALVEZ IN INDY LIGHTS AT PUTNAM PARK

Pittsboro, IN / October 19, 2010 - Team Moore Racing began its off-season testing on Thursday, October 14th at Putnam Park with Venezuelan Jorge Goncalvez. The nineteen year old finished



fourth in the Star Mazda Series, part of the newly implemented ladder system of the IndyCar Series.

The two day test involved having TMR's 2010 driver (who finished 2nd in the Championship) James Hinchcliffe, run some laps (on the second day) to set a baseline for the younger driver.

"There is a big difference between the Star Mazda cars and the Indy Lights cars. The bigger cars are much faster and I like that. I liked working with the team; the way they work. They all work very well together. It was good to have James Hinchcliffe come out on Friday. It was very helpful to me. My times were good. I was very happy with that," commented Goncalvez. "I was very impressed with the car and the team. I am very happy. I am looking forward to running in the Indy Lights Series," he concluded.

Louis D'Agostino, of Team Apex Racing, who ran Jorge for the past two years in the Star Mazda Series, commented "Naturally, the next step for Jorge is to move up to the Indy Lights cars. TMR, being a local team, was a natural choice for us to approach. We had a very successful two-day test. Jorge demonstrated the skills that he learned in Star Mazda have indeed transferred well to the bigger cars. By the second day of the test, he was able to get within a few tenths of James Hinchcliffe's time. I think he also demonstrated that his fitness level is quite impressive. He did 222 miles on the first day and wasn't tired or sore. I think that our 45 minute races in Star Mazda may have contributed to that level of fitness."

Lou continued: "It was also fantastic that Jorge was able to work with two different engineers at changing set-ups and exchanging information. The team was great. They were very professional and organized. They gave Jorge a great first experience in the Indy Lights car."



"The two day test went smoothly for young Jorge. He never put a wheel wrong and had excellent feedback from the car. Having Hinchcliffe out in the morning on Friday really helped move the whole test in a very positive direction," added Mark Moore. "I also have to give credit to Team Apex and Star Mazda on preparing a young driver to this level. Jorge Goncalvez is well on his way to a very bright future in Indy Lights for 2011," said Moore.

