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**XM Radio Acura  
2008 Monterey Sports Car Championships Fact Sheet**

**Who:** #26 XM Radio Acura drivers Franck Montagny and Tony Kanaan  
**What:** Monterey Sports Car Championships, Round 11 of the ALMS, LMP2 Class  
**Where:** Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, Salinas, Calif.  
**When:** Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008  
**Television:** NBC Sports (tape delayed), Oct. 19, 2 p.m. (EDT)  
**Radio:** XM Radio, channel 144

**Franck Montagny on Monterey Sports Car Championships:**

“It’s hard to think that this is the last race of the season. It is very important for Tony (Kanaan) and I to finish well as the team is fighting to finish third in the LMP2 class for the season and it would be great to be able to get the XM Radio Acura team a win to close out the season.”

**Franck Montagny Facts**

- This will be Montagny’s seventh start with Andretti Green Racing and his first at Laguna Seca.
- Montagny teamed with James Rossiter to earn AGR’s first win of the season at the Raceway at Belle Isle. The team captured the overall win in an Acura podium sweep.
- Montagny earned AGR’s first pole of the season in the LMP2 class at Road America. He also posted the LMP2 fastest lap of the race for the second time in three races.
- In his first start with AGR, Montagny posted the race’s quickest lap at Lime Rock Park where he finished fifth in class and sixth overall.
- Montagny finished second at Long Beach in 2008, his only IndyCar Series start.
- He finished third at the 24 Hours of Le Mans co-driving the Peugeot Sport entry.
- He had finished in the top 10 four times in his seven starts at the 24 Hours of Le Mans.
- Montagny has seven career starts in Formula One in 2006 driving for Super Aguri.
- He served as a Formula One test driver and third driver for Renault, Jordan and Toyota.

**Franck Montagny American Le Mans Series Statistics**

	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Fast Quals.	Fast Laps	Pts (Rank)
2008 (LMP2)	6	1	3	5	1	2	65 (8 <sup>th</sup> )
ALMS Career	6	1	3	5	1	2	

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**Tony Kanaan on Monterey Sports Car Championships:**

"I'm ready to get back on track this weekend in Laguna. The XM Radio Acura team had an unfortunate ending to our race at Petit, but the team showed that we had the potential to win. Franck (Montagny) and I work really well together."

**Tony Kanaan Facts**

- This is Kanaan's second start in the XM Radio Acura for the 2008 season.
- Kanaan has four previous starts for AGR in the American Le Mans Series. He was a member of the three-person team that drove to victory in the team's first ALMS start in the 2007 Mobil 1 Twelve Hours of Sebring.
- He was slated to drive at Petit Le Mans in 2007, but the team was forced to retire from the race before Kanaan could take the wheel.
- Kanaan finished third in the 2008 IndyCar Series championship and is the 2004 IndyCar Series champion.
- He has 13 career IndyCar Series victories and 14 major open-wheel racing wins in his career.
- He is the only driver in history to lead laps in his first seven starts in the Indianapolis 500 (2002-2008) and the only driver in history to lead laps in seven-consecutive Indianapolis 500 races.

**Tony Kanaan American Le Mans Series Statistics**

	Starts	Wins	Top 5	Top 10	Fast Quals.	Fast Laps	Pts (Rank)
2008 (LMP2)	1	0	0	1	0	0	14 (18 <sup>th</sup> )
ALMS Career	4	1	2	4	0	0	

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