



MILKA DUNO FINISHES EARLY AT DETROIT INDY GRAND PRIX

DETROIT (September 1, 2008) – After a series of incidents, including getting hit during the start of the race by Bruno Junquera, Milka Duno and her #23 CITGO Racing Dallara Honda finished early at the Raceway at Belle Isle Park.

Initial contact with Junquera at Turn 3 made Milka spin into the tire wall and cause significant damage to the car. Recovery efforts by the Dreyer & Reinbold Racing team included replacing the entire rear-wing assembly, as well as restoring Milka's radio connection. Ultimately, however, not all could be repaired and the team was forced to park the car due to its race pace. Milka finished with a 23-place result.

“The over-aggressive move by Car #18 to try and pass during the first lap forced me to hit the wall,” said Duno. “As a result, my rear wing was damaged and some suspension components. Unfortunately, I couldn't maintain my race pace and the race was over for me over.”

Milka's final race of the season will be at the Chicagoland Speedway on September 7. The Peak Antifreeze & Motor Oil Indy 300 can be seen live on HD on ABC at 3:30 p.m. EST.

Duno is the only female Hispanic to be racing in the IndyCar Series and was the only female driver to finish at the 2008 Indianapolis 500. Off the track, Duno is a certified Naval Engineer who holds four master's degrees. Duno recently partnered with MANA Milka Way to inspire Hispanic youth to “Aim for the Stars” and achieve academic excellence and appeared in the May 2008 Warner Bros. movie, “Speed Racer.” She also launched a bilingual children's book, “Go, Milka, Go!” in April 2008. For more information, visit www.milkaduno.com.