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Randy Pobst clinches title with Audi RS 6

SPEED GT: With a flag-to-flag victory in the series' finale at Puerto Rico, Randy Pobst driving Champion Racing's Audi RS 6 Competition, has clinched the Drivers' Championship in the SPEED GT Word Challenge. For the second time after 2001, Audi has also won the Manufacturers' title of the American racing series. Michael Galati, 2001 and 2002 SPEED GT Champion, completed the Audi success with his second-place finish.

On the temporary airport circuit near San Juan, the Audi drivers took advantage of Audi's quattro four-wheel drive traction. Randy Pobst captured pole position on the slippery track, Michael Galati qualified third. Galati used the quattro traction at the start of the race, immediately moving to second position behind his team mate. This positions remained unchanged for the entire 36 laps of the race.

"This title is the pinnacle of my career," enthused 46-year-old Randy Pobst after his triumph. "I am proud being part of Audi and the Champion Team. We started the season with a brand new car and had to work hard. The Audi RS 6 was fast and reliable from the very beginning and we kept developing it from race to race."

"Who would have guessed that we would win this title this year," explained Rod Bymaster, Motorsport Manager of Audi Sport North America. "We started the season using a brand new, undeveloped car. But Champion Racing turned the RS 6 Competition into a race and title winning car. Combined with Audi's American Le Mans Series success for a fourth consecutive time, this makes it another excellent motorsport year for Audi in North America."

San Juan (PR), 26 October, Round 10 of the SPEED GT World Challenge

1 Randy Pobst (Audi RS 6 Competition) 36 laps in 45m 26.232s

2 Michael Galati (Audi RS 6 Competition) + 1.324s

3 Phil McClure (Chevrolet) + 3.300s

4 Hans-Joachim Stuck (BMW) + 4.306s

5 Bill Auberlen (BMW) + 9.470s

Final positions after 10 races: 1 Pobst, 255 points; 2 Auberlen, 231; 3 McClure, 213; 4 Stuck, 194; 5 Fitzgerald, 186.

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