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BENNY AND BEL-RAY PREPARE TO DEFEND TITLES

March 2008—Bel-Ray sponsored Factory Aprilia/ Rip It Energy Fuel Racing Team looks to defend its 2007 team championship when the AMA Supermoto Series gets underway in April.

Reigning, two-time Supermoto Unlimited Champion Ben Carlson of West Bend, Wisconsin will compete on an Aprilia SXV 4.5 in the 450 class, and will be joined by team manager Darryl Atkins of San Clemente, California, aboard an Aprilia SXV 5.5 in the unlimited class. Atkins returns to action after an injury forced his withdrawal from the series finale at Morongo last season. During his absence at the final event, World Supermoto Championship competitor Kevin Bethome and AMA Flat Track competitor Henry Wiles stepped in to guarantee Aprilia the AMA Supermoto Team Championship in 2007.



Factory Aprilia/ Rip-It Energy Fuel Racing uses Bel-Ray lubricants exclusively, and captured its first titles using Bel-Ray Thumper 4-Stroke Racing Motor Oil, Bel-Ray Gear Saver Motorcycle Transmission Oil and Bel-Ray Super Clean Chain Lube, among other Bel-Ray products.

The formidable team will compete in the eight-stop AMA Supermoto Series, including two ESPN events. Scheduled to begin on April 11-12 at San Diego's Qualcomm Stadium, the season will extend over five months, with races in Seattle, Los Angeles, Hartford, Connecticut; Shawano, Wisconsin, Tooele, Utah and Las Vegas.

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