



## PEGRAM RACING ADVANCES TWO CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS AT INFINEON RACEWAY

*A pair of aggressive rides reward rider Larry Pegram with sixth overall in the American Superbike Championship*

*Sonoma, Calif. (17 May 2009)* – As a productive weekend comes to an end, Team Foremost Pegram Racing leaves Infineon Raceway with two top five finishes, advancing rider Larry Pegram to sixth overall in the championship.

Following Saturday's race one battle to third position, rider Larry Pegram set his sights on overall advancement in the American Superbike Championship. As the crew made several changes to his Ducati 1098 R Superbike, Pegram set a goal of leaving Infineon sixth in the championship.

Sunday's race two was held in comparable heat to Saturday's scorcher, and when the flag dropped Pegram immediately propelled his Ducati 1098 R to fourth position- riding aggressively in pursuit of the number one spot. A failed overtaking maneuver on Suzuki's Tommy Hayden enabled Geoff May and Josh Hayes to sneak through; dropping Pegram to sixth place. Pegram then twisted the throttle on his Ducati and put his head down, enabling a pass on Geoff May for fifth position. Once the Ducati got past May there was a significant gap to Hayes in fourth, which Pegram fought to the end to close. When the checkered flag fell Pegram took fifth position, and more importantly reached in his goal of sixth in the championship.

"Needless to say I'm really happy with what we have accomplished this weekend," commented Pegram. "My team has been great and the Ducati ran strong all weekend. Leaving Infineon a solid sixth in the championship is a great feeling, and I'm ready to start fighting for fifth at Road America!"

Team Foremost Pegram Racing now heads back to their Ohio race shop, where the Ducati 1098 R will be rebuilt in preparation for round six of the AMA Pro Racing American Superbike Championship. The next race will be held at Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin June 5-7.

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