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## **PGA's 2008 Wyndham Championship Goes Green with GEM Electric Cars**

August 5, 2008, Fargo, N.D. - The 2008 Wyndham Championship PGA TOUR event in Greensboro, N.C., will truly be "green" with GEM electric vehicles patrolling and preparing the course set for August 11-17, 2008, at Sedgefield Country Club.

Manufactured by Global Electric Motorcars, the quiet, 100 percent battery-electric GEM cars will be driven by Wyndham Championship tournament officials and law enforcement, as well as the groundskeepers as they prepare the course.

"While the primary use of our vehicles is as automobiles for street use, as a golfer myself, I'm excited that GEM cars are being used at this year's prestigious Wyndham Championship," says GEM President and COO Rick Kasper. "The GEM cars are a win-win-win for events like this, because they are quiet, emission-free and battery-electric."

"Our GEM cars have been a great asset already," Wyndham Championship tournament director Mark Brazil said. "They have been very helpful in our tournament preparations, and we are definitely looking forward to moving our sponsors around the course in these great vehicles during the Wyndham Championship next week. We are happy to have them."

The City of Greensboro Police and the Guilford County Sheriff's Department have also opted to go green by driving GEM cars this year to patrol the course. There will be five 2008 GEM cars participating, including two eL XD utility models, and three e4 passenger models, provided courtesy of Ilderton Dodge Jeep Chrysler in High Point, N.C.

The \$5.1 million purse promises to bring out golf's finest players, including defending champion Brandt Snedeker, two-time Wyndham winners Davis Love III and Rocco Mediate, Angel Cabrera, Zach Johnson, Paul Casey, Vijay Singh, David Toms, Tim Clark, Carl Pettersson, Lucas Glover, Jerry Kelly, John Daly and 2007 British Amateur champion Drew Weaver.

Various sports teams, athletes and ballparks use GEM cars, including the Washington Nationals who have 22 GEM cars in their new first-in-the-nation LEED-certified ballpark. Camden Yards uses GEM cars for the Baltimore Orioles and Baltimore Ravens games and so do the Philadelphia Eagles. Other notable golf events that have used GEM cars include the Greater Hickory Classic in Hickory, N.C., the Stanford University Men's Golf Program, the Crown Plaza Invitational at Colonial in Fort Worth, Texas, and the Prestige Golf Tournament in California.

Founded in 1938, the Wyndham Championship is among the oldest events on the PGA TOUR. As is the case with all PGA TOUR events, the primary goal of the Wyndham Championship is to raise money for charities; since 2006 the tournament has set an annual goal of at least \$1 million for local charities. A complete list of 2008 tournament charities is available at [www.wyndhamchampionship.com](http://www.wyndhamchampionship.com).

The first and second rounds of the Wyndham Championship will be televised live by The Golf Channel from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. eastern time. The third and final rounds of the tournament will be televised by CBS from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. eastern time; XM Satellite Radio will broadcast all four rounds of the tournament on the PGA Tour Network – XM Channel 146 from noon to 6 p.m. eastern time.

Tickets are available online at [www.wyndhamchampionship.com](http://www.wyndhamchampionship.com) or through the tournament office at (336) 379-1570.

### **About Global Electric Motorcars (GEM)**

A 10-year-old Chrysler company, Global Electric Motorcars has more than 37,000 GEM neighborhood electric

vehicles on the road being used by local, state and national government agencies, including the U. S. military, and on resorts, master planned communities, and university, medical and corporate campuses, as well as by sports teams and private consumers.

GEM received the 2007 Blue Sky Merit Award from WestStart-CALSTART for its positive impact on air quality in the state of California.

GEM vehicles have driven more than 250 million miles, saved more than 12.5 million gallons of gasoline and spared more than 150 tons of tailpipe pollutants from reaching the air.

GEM vehicles are eligible for incentives and tax credits from clean-air districts and other governmental agencies.

For more information, to build your own GEM or to locate a dealer, visit [www.gemcar.com](http://www.gemcar.com).

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