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Hitachi Astemo, Ltd. announces Japan motorsports sponsorships for the 2025 season

Tokyo, December 11, 2024 – Hitachi Astemo, Ltd. (hereafter "Astemo") announced it will continue sponsorships for the 2025 season of REAL RACING, which competes in the GT500 class of SUPER GT; and SI Racing, which competes in the two-wheel MFJ^{*1} All Japan Road Race Championship series.

*1 Motorcycle Federation of Japan

Through its global sponsorships, Astemo contributes to enriching quality of life, as well as sharing joy and inspiration with people around the world. The full range of motorsports sponsorships include Astemo REAL RACING (SUPER GT GT500) and Astemo Honda Dream SI Racing (All Japan Road Race Championship Series) in Japan, as well as Team Penske (NTT IndyCar series) in the United States. In other sports, Astemo sponsors the Astemo RIVALE Ibaraki volleyball team (SV. LEAGUE) and the Mie Honda Heat rugby team (NTT JAPAN RUGBY LEAGUE ONE Division 1).

■Comments from team directors

Astemo REAL RACING

Katsutomo Kaneishi, Director

Thank you for continuing as our main sponsor for the 2025 season. Next season will mark the 5th year of Astemo REAL RACING. For team structure, we will see a driver change, marking a new chapter for Astemo REAL RACING. We are proud to be part of "One Astemo," regardless of where the journey takes us. With the strength gained from our past experiences, we are fully committed to working as one team—drivers and staff together—to win the series title. We sincerely ask for your continued support and encouragement.

Astemo Honda Dream SI Racing Shinichi Ito. Director

We are delighted to continue working with Hitachi Astemo for the 2025 season. Although ST1000 champion Kazuma Watanabe had to withdraw due to injury in the 2024 season, his replacement, Taiga Hada, delivered outstanding results. Additionally, Kohta Nozane in the JSB1000 category secured a second-place podium finish in the final round. These achievements were made possible thanks to the unwavering support of Hitachi Astemo and our other sponsors, for which we are deeply grateful. In the 2025 season, we plan to compete in the All Japan Road Race Championship and various other racing events. By strengthening our collaboration with Hitachi Astemo, we aim to further enhance our technical and team capabilities, striving to achieve championships across all categories we participate in.



Astemo REAL RACING
CIVIC TYPE R-GT(No.17)

Race Vehicle for 2024 Season



Astemo Honda Dream SI Racing Honda CBR1000RR-R **Race Vehicle for 2024 Season

About Hitachi Astemo

Hitachi Astemo, headquartered in Tokyo, Japan, is a joint venture between Hitachi, Ltd., Honda Motor Co., and JIC Capital, Ltd. With 80,000 employees worldwide and operations in Americas, Asia, China, Europe and Japan, the company is a global mega-supplier in the automotive industry. The Electric Business Division, Chassis & ICE Business Division, and Motorcycle Business Division are engaged in the development, manufacture, sales, and service of automotive parts as well as transportation and industrial machinery and systems. Hitachi Astemo is committed to creating a sustainable society and delivering enhanced corporate value.

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