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Cruze And Chevy Boys Ready For The Start Of The 2010 Season

Huff, Menu And Muller Took Part In Last Winter Test In Valencia

VALENCIA, 19th January 2010 – The Chevrolet team has concluded the winter testing programme with a two-day session in Valencia on Wednesday and Thursday. This was the last track test before the start of the 2010 season, which kicks-off on 6-7 March in Curitiba, Brazil, and now everything is ready for the Cruze to engage in its second race season.

With the three race cars currently traveling by sea to Brazil, the team brought to Valencia two test-cars, of which one was in full 2010 specs and livery. Despite some rain at the very beginning and at the very end of the session, the team was able to carry the scheduled work programme, which included testing and comparing a wide array of set-up combinations. Rob Huff and Alain Menu were at the wheel on day 1 and Yvan Muller and Alain on day 2.

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Alain Menu: *"It was useful and nice to be back behind the wheel and get some driving mileage ahead of Curitiba. At the end of this short winter break, we can say that we have made interesting progress with the Cruze, but as always, we will have to wait for qualifying of the first race to know where we and our competitors stand. This said, my impression is that we should be reasonably competitive this season".*

Yvan Muller: *"It is well known that testing is never enough, one would like to have endless mileage, but I am very happy with the work done. Here in Valencia, luckily, the rain only came one hour from the end of day 2, so I had almost a full day at the wheel in excellent conditions and have worked with the engineers and the mechanics, which is very important when you are new in a team. We have been working on the balance and trying many set-up combinations, to see how the car reacts in a given configuration. It will be very useful in the course of the season to have all this info up our shelves and PCs".*

Rob Huff: *"The car feels very good and I am very happy with the progress we have made. Here in Valencia I have been focusing mostly on driving rather than engineering runs. I have been out on the track for runs of nine laps rather than the 3-lap runs which is usual in testing. Nine laps is almost race distance, so from a driver perspective and a couple of weeks ahead of the start of the championship, it is a very useful exercise to regain the right pace".*

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