

## ALMS Corvettes going green with E85 fuel in 2008

### From staff reports

Corvette Racing will be powered by E85 ethanol, a high-octane, renewable alternative fuel, in the 2008 American Le Mans Series.



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Jan Magnussen pilots the No. 3 Corvette during last year's ALMS season finale at Laguna Seca. This season, the Chevy entries will run on a new mix of ethanol and gasoline.

and an overall initiative that is important to them," said Scott Atherton, president and CEO of the series.

All race cars in the series compete on alternative fuels.

For the last two seasons, Audi has competed with a revolutionary clean diesel-powered car.

In addition to Audi and Corvette, other automakers in the ALMS include Acura, Aston Martin, Dodge, Ferrari, Ford, Mazda, Panoz, Porsche and Saleen.

As part of the series' "green racing" initiative, the most successful team in ALMS history will use a blend of 85% ethanol and 15% gasoline in the demanding arena of endurance road racing.

After winning its seventh consecutive GT1 manufacturers and team championships in 2007 using E10 (10% ethanol), Corvette Racing's twin race cars will make the transition to E85 for the 2008 season.

The series announced at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit on Tuesday that it is partnering with the Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Energy and SAE International to incorporate "green racing" principles into its 2008 season.

"The auto manufacturers competing in the American Le Mans Series have made it very clear that this is a direction