

## Judd Power for Team RLR in 2011

Le Mans Series challenger Team RLR has confirmed it will install the new Judd 'HK' race engine in the MG Lola EX265 for the 2011 season.

The Lancashire-based LMP2 outfit has underlined its ambitious plans by concluding a deal with the powerplant's producers Engine Developments (ED) that will put it at the head of the queue for the new specification engine designed to meet the revised ACO regulations for the LMP2 class in the Le Mans Series and the Le Mans 24 Hour Race in 2011.

Team RLR is expected to take delivery of its first engine in January 2011 and Lola has already started design work for the installation of the new engine, which is scheduled to be in the car by the end of the same month.

The Judd HK engine is based on a production BMW 4.0 litre V8 engine, noted for its low weight and high specific power output in road going form, and dyno testing of the race developed unit is set to commence in the near future.



Once the new engine is installed in the MG Lola EX265, Team RLR will undertake an extensive testing programme to prepare for the squad's first full season in the Le Mans Series.

Team RLR contested the final two rounds of the 2010 championship at the Hungaroring and Silverstone in order to gather as much experience as possible in the world's premier endurance racing series, claiming a top ten class finish in Hungary before a mechanical failure just 15 minutes from the end of the Silverstone 1000km race denied the all-British squad another impressive result.

### **Nick Reynolds, Team RLR team principal, said:**

"Getting a new engine installed in time for next season was always going to be a tight affair, with the new regulations being introduced and a large number of orders being placed with engine builders. Team RLR is now in the enviable position of being one of the first teams to have signed an engine deal for the 2011 season, and therefore we are one step ahead of many of our competitors. With another major piece of the jigsaw puzzle in place we can now concentrate on other key areas in our preparations as we build towards becoming a regular LMP2 podium contender in the Le Mans Series."

### **Stan Hall, ED General Manager, said:**

"We are delighted that Team RLR have chosen the HK as their new powerplant for next year having thoroughly evaluated all the possible options. This confirms our belief that we have chosen the right engine for the new LMP2 regulations both in terms of performance and cost and we therefore look forward to a successful and long lasting partnership with Nick and his team."

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