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Porter, TX..... The #03 American Screen Graphics, Royal Purple, Porter Glass, PGM Racing Chevy rolled off the trailer fast and ready for the Drive Smart Buckle-Up Kentucky 150 at Kentucky Speedway last weekend. Driver Stephan McCurley was out for the very first practice, and was turning good laps. The track had seen a lot of rain in the preceding days, and there were issues with water seeping onto the track surface. This was obviously not properly addressed by track officials before letting cars out to practice.

Unfortunately, the car drove over one of those wet areas and when the water hit the back tires, it sent McCurley backing into the wall, hard in between turns 3 and 4. Stephan was OK, but the car received major damage. ARCA immediately halted the practice session, and inspected the track, They drilled holes into the track where the water was seeping, and literally a 3 foot gush of water shot into the air. Needless to say this was cause enough for qualifying to be called off and teams would start the night's race by points.

The PGM team had no choice but to pull out the back-up car, which is a short-track car. Kentucky is considered an 'Intermediate' speedway at 1.5 miles in size. The team would have started 12th in the line-up, but had to go to the rear of the field because with ARCA rules that particular car did not go through pre-practice tech inspections.

The #03 finished 20th in the race. McCurley did a great job with the handicap of having a short track car on the bigger Kentucky oval. The top 20 finish should have moved them up in driver and owner points, which are not official at this time.

"We banded together as a team, and did our best to turn a negative situation into positive one." Says team owner Donny Kelley. "The team did a fantastic job all day, and we are holding our heads up, and have high morale going into Toledo and Pocono."

The Menards 200 presented by Federated Car Care at Toledo, Ohio Speedway will be a short track event on May 17th. The Toledo track is a .5 mile in size with 18 degree banking. Given the outstanding performance of the #03 short track car and driver McCurley at the last short track event at Salem, IN Speedway, the team is looking forward to a good run --- granted lady luck stays on their side!

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The PGM team makes a pit stop at Kentucky Speedway on May 9, 2009