Watkins Glen, N.Y. (August 9, 2010) – In their second of three road course races on the 2010 NASCAR Nationwide Series schedule, Michael Annett and Germain Racing's No. 15 team fought for a 19th place finish at Watkins Glen International after battling transmission issues throughout the second half of the 200 mile race.

Annett started the Nationwide Series Zippo 200 at the Glen 24th and made his first pit stop of the day on lap 10. Livonia, N.Y. native, crew chief Ryan Fugle, called for the No. 15 Germain.com Toyota Camry to take four tires and fuel on their visit to pit road before the first caution of the 82 lap event occurred on lap 19.

Before his second stop on pit road, Annett reported a tight handling condition when he was free-rolling and back to the gas. In addition to a new set of Goodyears and fuel, air pressure adjustments were made to help ease the car's tight condition. The No. 15 Germain.com Toyota restarted 24th on lap 23, but after the drop of the green a multi-car pileup brought out the red flag for over 25 minutes. With help from his spotter, Annett was able to avoid the incident to keep his car damage-free.

As the race ended early for several cars involved in the accident, Annett was boosted to 12th for the restart on lap 26. He continued to ride in the top-15 before reporting a loose handling condition on lap 30, along with transmission issues.

Although plagued with transmission trouble the second half of the race, Annett maintained a top-20 position to pull off a 19th place finish in the 82 lap Nationwide Series Zippo 200 at the Glen. He moved 53 points closer to the top-10 in the Nationwide Series championship point race with his finish at Watkins Glen, leaving him just 48 points outside of the top-10 in 11th.

Leaving road course racing behind, Annett and Germain Racing will now head to Michigan International Raceway for the Nationwide Series Carfax 250.

Annett returns to Michigan after finishing 13th there last year and looks to follow through with another respectable finish in Saturday's race.

Tune to ESPN for live coverage of the Carfax 250 at 1 p.m. ET.

For more information on Michael Annett and Germain Racing's No. 15 Nationwide Series team, check out www.MichaelAnnett.com and www.GermainRacing.com. Get live updates on Twitter @MichaelAnnett.

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