Mooresville, N.C. (03-15-2011) – Returning to the winner's circle at Darlington Raceway was clearly the priority of the No. 30 Germain.com Tundra team and Germain Racing driver Todd Bodine. The team unloaded a chassis that ranked eighth in first practice and fourth after final practice. From a qualifying position of 12th, Bodine set his sights on the front of the field and enjoyed the147-laps of Darlington's NASCAR Camping World Truck Series race – with just a quick detour first.

"The truck was good. Unfortunately right there at the start, don't really know what happened at the start of the race with the left front tire, but it was vibrating really bad so we elected to come in and change it. We had to start in the rear basically," said Bodine of the unplanned pit stop too early in the night. "We had a great truck. The Germain.com Tundra did everything I needed it to do. That was a lot of fun racing like that. It was Darlington and she's back --she's tough underneath."

Bodine says Darlington's four year-old racing surface is slowly revealing some of the grit of years past, and the surface played into what was a very fun competition for the Truck Series drivers in Saturday's race. Bodine faced a restart just three laps before the race was set to conclude. He was up against eventual race winner, Kasey Kahne, and veteran Truck Series racer and fellow champion, Ron Hornaday Jr.

"When you have a situation like that and the position I was in, running second, you want to win and you want to pass him. That's what we're all here for, but the way our season has been

going, we had to get to the checkered flag. I gave it a shot and got sucked around, got loose and all that so we finished third. The main thing was just don't wreck -- just don't cause a wreck, don't do something dumb. We're all here being professionals trying to race and put on a show. We did and it was another great show in the Truck Series as usual. If you remember what I said earlier in the race day about the veterans and what's going to happen at the end -- we were right there, the guys I said. Kasey (Kahne), Elliott (Sadler), Ron (Hornaday) and me. That's typical Darlington," said Bodine.

As excited as he was about the racing action and his team's performance, Bodine was also beaming about Truck Series fans at Darlington.

"It was a great race. I am so happy for Darlington Raceway -- look at the crowd we got. This tells you what the Truck Series is about. These fans are hardcore, they came out here on a Saturday night just to watch trucks race," smiled Bodine, who didn't forget the folks watching SPEED at home, either. "Everybody at home -- we appreciate you watching. Trucks are the greatest race and I'm loving it."

After three of 25 races, Bodine ranks seventh in the Truck Series points standings. Bodine races the No. 30 Tundra next at Martinsville Speedway in Martinsville, VA, on April 2nd.

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