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MEARS' STRONG DOVER RUN SPOILED BY FINAL FEW LAPS

Dover, DE (June 1, 2014) - Casey Mears and the GEICO team arrived in Dover, Delaware, looking forward to a battle royale with the track known as the 'Monster Mile'. One of the toughest tracks on the circuit, Mears recorded a solid first day at the historic facility. He ended up 25th in the opening practice session before later qualifying 22nd for Sunday's

FedEx 400.

When racing action got underway on Sunday, Mears and his No. 13 GEICO Chevrolet SS began their journey from the 22nd position. With 43 cars on a tight-quartered, high-banked, high-speed racetrack, 400-miles of racing is always sure to get interesting. The green flag set the field underway and Mears surrendered four positions and slid back to 26th

on the opening lap. The setback was temporary, as he hustled the No. 13 GEICO Chevy back up to 21st

by lap nine.

Mears had worked his way up to 15th on lap 140, but just 18 laps later he was dodging flying concrete. Jamie McMurray's car hit a chunk of concrete on the racetrack, spitting it backwards in



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