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Gates Becomes Official Belt Sponsor of the TexPlex SxS Race Series 2021

G-Force RedLine, engineered for the most extreme environments, now available at TexPlex Proshop; champions of each race class to be awarded new G-Force RedLine CVT belts

DALLAS FORT WORTH, March 3, 2021 – Gates (NYSE:GTES), the leading global provider of power transmission solutions and its brand G-Force for high performance powersports CVT belts, is proud to announce their sponsorship of the 2021 TexPlex SxS Race Series. Gates has expanded their commitment to off-road racing in recent years, helping propel to victory pro-class race teams such as Lacrecia Beurrier, Marc Burnett, Kyle Chaney, Scottie Lawrence, Cody and Hunter Miller, Jordan Phillips, Casey Sims, and Michael Dunnagan, along with Youth class up & comers like Deegan Gonzalez and Brooklyn Singleton.

"We are thrilled to be a part of this growing race series" says Joe Menzel, general manager, Gates mobility. "Many of the teams racing the TexPlex SxS Race Series have been upgrading their vehicles to run on G-Force™ RedLine™ in recent years, so it was a natural fit to expand our partnership with the organizers and help this series grow even further."

The nine-round 2021 series will kick off on March 6th in Midlothian, TX at the Dallas Fort Worth Metroplex. With a total series purse of \$200,000, racers are expecting this series to be one of the most hotly contested UTV battles in the country this year. Top teams and riders have all confirmed that they will be participating and some of the biggest names in the industry have joined on as sponsors to keep UTV short-track racing progressing.

In 2020, Gates expanded the G-Force RedLine CVT belt line to a wide range of UTV applications after its 2019 debut. Designed and tested with direct input from their elite group of athletes and influencers, G-Force Redline was created for riders looking for off-road specific performance and durability when riding and racing in all extreme conditions, from mud to deserts to mountains.

G-Force RedLine belts were specifically designed to withstand the increased heat, power and operating environments of today's off-road vehicles (ORVs). Gates G-Force RedLine CVT belts are engineered from a patented, fiber-reinforced Ethylene Elastomer compound, providing maximum transverse stiffness and unmatched heat resistance which allows for increased durability, greater load-carrying capability and a higher effective operating temperature. G-Force RedLine belts deliver:

- Excellent recovery from temperatures up to 338°F (170°C) without power loss
- Up to 300% increased belt life
- Up to 50% lower speed losses under heavy loads and torque

Gates G-Force RedLine belts, available from powersports and automotive distributors across North America, will also now be available to racers and spectators alike at the TexPlex pro-shop. To learn more about G-Force RedLine, please visit www.gates.com/redline. To find the proper belt for an application, reference the Gates online catalog system at navigates.gates.com.

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