Patrick Dempsey continues with Porsche

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20/11/2014 The US actor and race driver and will tackle the 2015 motorsport season at the wheel of a 911 RSR in the Sports Car World Endurance Championship WEC – including the world famous Le Mans 24-hour race.

The American actor and race driver, who thrills fans all over the world in his role as “McDreamy” in the medical drama “Grey's Anatomy”, has been following his passion for racing since 2013 as a member of the Porsche motorsport family. With the expanded race programme, the successful alliance between Porsche and Patrick Dempsey will continue.

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“I’m already looking forward to 2015 and I’m proud to be able to contest the entire WEC as well as Le Mans with a Porsche,” said Patrick Dempsey at the launch of the programme on Wednesday at the Los Angeles Motor Show. “Porsche’s experience in long distance racing is invaluable. Porsche was winning sports car races before I was even born. As a childhood fan of Porsche, I grew up with their successes at Le Mans, Daytona and the Targa Florio. There are moments when I simply cannot believe that I am now a member of this great team.”

One of Dempsey´s teammates will be Porsche works driver Patrick Long

Patrick Dempsey will contest the races of the Sports Car World Endurance Championship WEC with the Porsche customer team Dempsey Proton Racing in the GTE-Am class. One of his teammates will be the experienced Porsche works driver Patrick Long (USA), with whom he also trains away from the race tracks. Both men live in California. In addition to the WEC races, guest appearances in Porsche’s brand trophy series such as the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup as support to the Formula One races are also planned.

During his first season with Porsche, Patrick Dempsey scored fourth place in the GTE-Am class at the Le Mans 24 Hours in 2013 with the Porsche 911 GT3 RSR. In addition, he notched up two podium placings in the American Le Mans Series, taking home second from Laguna Seca and third from Austin. The highlights of the 2014 season included a fifth place at Le Mans in a Porsche 911 RSR as well as a podium spot at the new Tudor United SportsCar Championship round at the Virginia International Raceway, where he finished third driving a Porsche 911 GT America.

Dempsey is not only an actor anymore, he has become a passionate race driver

“We look forward to an exciting 2015 season with Patrick Dempsey and to the continuation of our successful partnership,” said Bernhard Maier, Porsche AG Board Member for Sales and Marketing, at the Los Angeles Auto Show. “Before he drove his first race with Porsche the world knew him primarily as an actor. Over the last two years we’ve come to know him as a passionate race driver who embodies the professionalism and amiability that makes the Porsche motorsport family what it is. Now we are full of anticipation for more successes together.”

“Customer sport enjoys a high priority at Porsche,” affirms Porsche Head of Motorsport Dr. Frank-Steffen Walliser. “For this reason we’re pleased to support Patrick Dempsey and the Dempsey Proton Racing team by providing one of our most successful and experienced works driver. Patrick Long and

Patrick Dempsey have already contested several races together and they complement each other perfectly."

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