Sprint Cup Series Winner: Kyle Busch, Martinsville Speedway - April 3, 2016

KYLE BUSCH, No. 18 M&M's 75 Toyota Camry, Joe Gibbs Racing Finishing Position: 1st

Did running the Truck Series race yesterday prepare you for today?

"I'd say it certainly helps when you get to run other divisions and that's why I do it to pay off on Sundays. It doesn't work every single weekend, but it works more times than it doesn't, so can't say enough about everyone at KBM (Kyle Busch Motorsports) for giving me a great piece yesterday to help me learn, teach me some more things about Martinsville that I didn't already know in 30 other prior starts. I can't say enough about this whole JGR (Joe Gibbs Racing) team on this side. This M&M's Camry was awesome in practice yesterday. We had a really good car through practice and Adam (Stevens, crew chief) made some really good adjustments overnight to keep us where we need to be in order to run up front all day, led a lot of laps, probably led the most laps there and to win here in Martinsville is pretty cool - finally get to take a clock home. A lot of people said I didn't deserve yesterday - maybe I don't - but I certainly got one today."

How big was it to have the preferred lane on the final restart?

"That was huge – the race off pit road – so I've got to thank my guys. Obviously, they were flawless today on pit road. They did a really good job. We made a few adjustments to the car throughout the day

Average Speed of Race Winner: 80.088 mph.

Time of Race: 03 Hrs, 17 Mins, 02 Secs. Margin of Victory: 0.663 Seconds. Caution Flags: 8 for 51 laps.

Lead Changes: 11 among 5 drivers.

Lap Leaders: J. Logano 1-21; P. Menard 22-31; Kyle Busch 32-100; K. Harvick 101-105; Kyle Busch 106-131; M. Kenseth 132-146; Kyle Busch 147-155; K. Harvick 156-222; M. Kenseth 223-240; Kyle Busch 241-314; M. Kenseth 315-326; Kyle Busch 327-500.

and they kept getting me out not even los-

ing a spot on pit road, so they did a great

job for me. That was the key to the race

- being able to restart on the bottom like

that. We all talked as a group earlier this

morning about how we were going to do

all said, 'Okay, with 10 to go, it's pretty

much off limits, no more,' and it was 12

that and what we were going to do and we



to go, so it was pretty much right on the brink there, so sorry Matt (Kenseth), but I can't say enough about my teammates. They helped me a lot at this place as well too – Denny Hamlin most importantly. He's a huge key to our success here, getting me better over the years and just continuing to evolve our program and of course Matt Kenseth coming on board. He's been a huge influence for me to get better here because he just came over and was really good right off the bat, but awesome day for M&M's, NOS Energy Drink, Toyota, Interstate Batteries, JGR (Joe Gibbs Racing), TRD (Toyota Racing Development) engines – can't say enough about those guys – so real pumped about this one here."

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Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Lead, Laps Led): Kyle Busch 5 times for 352 laps; K. Harvick 2 times for 72 laps; M. Kenseth 3 times for 45 laps; J. Logano 1 time for 21 laps; P. Menard 1 time for 10 laps.

Top 16 in Points: K. Harvick - 220; J. Johnson - 216; Kyle Busch - 215; C. Edwards - 206; J. Logano - 196; B. Keselowski - 178; A. Dillon - 176; Kurt Busch - 176; D. Hamlin - 172; D. Earnhardt Jr - 172; M. Truex Jr - 150; A. Allmendinger - 147; J. Mcmurray - 143; M. Kenseth - 140; *. Blaney # - 132; C. Elliott # - 131

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