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### **TEAM STERILGARDA HUNGRY FOR PODIUM FINISH IN VALENCIA**

**Farmingdale, NJ – 4/2/09** –Team Sterilgarda, sponsored by Bel-Ray Company, will take to the Valencia circuit for the 3rd Round of the World Superbike Championship this Sunday, April 5th in Valencia, Spain.

The team, managed by Marco Borciani, has set an ambitious goal for the Spanish round which will be to achieve a podium finish much like they did back in 2007 with Spaniard Ruben Xaus. Now with Shane Byrne in the driver's seat, Team Sterilgarda will make a triumphant return and look for positive results. This will mark the first time that Byrne has raced on the Valencia circuit but he has tested here many times setting a very fast pace. The Valencia track adapts very well to the Ducati 1098 as the succession of slow corners requires delicate handling as well as the fast straights catering to the massive horsepower of the 1098.



“Our objective at Valencia is to repeat the great performance of Race #1 in Qatar while being in the lead pack and fighting till the end,” says Borciani. “Shane knows the track well and will start on equal terms with the other riders during practice, where we will have to capture a good starting position in the first rows. Valencia is a track where it is very hard to overtake and in order to score a great result, we'll have to get in the lead pack from lap 1.”

Bel-Ray is the official lubricant sponsor of Team Sterilgarda for the 2009 World Superbike Series. For more information on Bel-Ray, please visit [www.belray.com](http://www.belray.com). Be sure to catch all the action on Speed TV starting at 4:00 pm EST on April 5th.

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