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The Hon Shane Stone MLA
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Dear Mr. Stone MLA,

Just a short note to thank you, from all motor sporting fans, and especially myself, for your effort in bringing the Shell V8 Supercars to Hidden Valley Raceway.

The improvements that have been completed, and those that are currently under construction, at Hidden Valley and the actual running of the "event" has raised the profile of motor sports and the circuit, not only in the Northern Territory, but in Australia as well.

All the media exposure that has been generated because of the "Event" and the complex improvements has assisted all motor sporting clubs, especially clubs that operates from Hidden Valley, to gain recognition and acceptance by the general public far easier than could be planned for previously

Thanks again.

Sincerely yours,

Alan Turnbull
Manager / President
Northern Territory Motor Sports Council





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Mr Alan Turnbull
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Dear Alan

Thank you for your letter of March 17 following on from my retirement as Chief Minister.

I consider one of my proudest achievements was persuading the Shell V8 Supercars event to come to Darwin.

The many improvements that have been completed at Hidden Valley have raised the profile of motor sports, not only within the Northern Territory but Australia-wide.

During my recent attendance at the Sensational 500 at Adelaide, Darwin was commented on very favourably with all drivers and support crew looking forward to the first week in June.

Although I had only a peripheral interest in motor sports in the past, I recognised the importance of such an event and committed my Government as enthusiastically as Territorians would expect.

Please convey my very best wishes to all members of the Northern Territory Motor Sports Council. You are all a great credit to the Northern Territory and the Shell V8 Supercars would not have been a success in 1998 were it not for the tireless efforts of yourself and your colleagues.

I look forward to the Supercars returning to Darwin in June and although I will be a mere spectator on this occasion, I will look on with a great sense of pride and achievement.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shane', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Shane L. Stone