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**Wicked Fast Sports Nutrition Joins the
Teva U.S. Mountain Running Team as the Official Dietary Supplement**

The Teva U.S. Mountain Running Team will compete in the 24th World Mountain Running Trophy in the region of Sierre Crans-Montana, Switzerland on Sunday, September 14, 2008. The USA National Team has been title sponsored by Teva, the official footwear of the team, since 2002, team uniforms are sponsored by official apparel sponsor SportHill, Windermere Real Estate/Teton Valley is the official real estate company, and Fleet Feet Sports-Boulder is the official specialty running store. Wicked Fast sports nutrition has just signed a two-year agreement as the official dietary supplements for pre-exercise energy/endurance (Energy-Ease) and post-exercise recovery (Recover-Ease).

"We've been discussing sponsorship opportunities with representatives from Wicked Fast Sports Nutrition for the past year and we're delighted that they have signed on with the team for both 2008 and 2009. Building partnerships is integral to the future of our sport and the future of our team in terms of promotion, visibility, and success. Our relationship with Wicked Fast will help us achieve our goals," said Nancy Hobbs, Teva U.S. Mountain Running Team manager.

According to Shawn Talbott, PhD, Wicked Fast Sports Nutrition Chief Scientific Officer, "We're thrilled to be working with the Teva Mountain Running Team. This is an outstanding opportunity for us to match the best research in endurance nutrition with the best mountain runners in the country.

"We expect this partnership to help the US runners to go 'wicked fast' at the World Championships in Switzerland," continued Talbott.

This year's Trophy races are uphill-only courses (as opposed to even-numbered years when the events are run on an up/down courses) with the senior men running 12km, the senior women and junior men running 8km, and the junior women running just under 4km (course distances are approximate).

The women's team includes four athletes with the top three finishers scoring for the team. Six athletes will represent the men's team with the top four finishers scoring. The junior men's team includes a maximum of four with top three scoring while the junior women's team is a maximum of three with the top two scoring. Team manager Nancy Hobbs, Colorado Springs, CO, team leader Richard Bolt, Portland, OR, manager of the junior team Dave Dunham, Bradford, MA, and women's team manager Ellen Miller, Vail, CO, will accompany the team to Switzerland.

At the USATF annual convention in Honolulu in December 2007, the Mountain Ultra Trail (MUT) Council chose two races from which automatic qualifiers to the U.S. team will be selected. The USA Mountain Running Championships will be hosted by the Mt Washington Road Race slated for June 21 in Gorham, NH. The top four U.S. men and the top U.S. woman finisher at Mt. Washington will receive automatic berths on the team. Vail, CO will host the second and final selection race with the La Sportiva Berry Picker on Sunday, July 20 and will welcome the top U.S. man, the top two U.S. women, and the top junior man to the team.

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The remaining members of the squad, (one male, one female, three junior men, and two junior women), will be selected by the Mountain Ultra Trail Council with input from the team staff based on results at the selection races, past World Trophy events, national and international racing experience including mountain, road, cross country, and track. Senior athletes **MUST** run a selection race in order to be considered for the team. The junior team (except for the automatic selectee from Vail) is selected based on resumes with criteria available at www.usmrt.com. To be considered for the team all team members **MUST** be current USATF members prior to running a selection race and in the case of juniors, USATF membership is also mandatory.

Interested athletes should submit running resumes to: Richard Bolt (richard.bolt@usmrt.com) and Nancy Hobbs (trrunner@aol.com). The full team will be announced by August 15, 2008.

For additional information visit the websites listed below:

USA Mountain Running Championships	www.mountwashingtonroadrace.com
Berry Picker	www.vailrec.com
World Mountain Running Association	www.wmra.info
USA Track & Field	www.usatf.org
World Mountain Trophy 2008	www.wmrt2008.org/pages/fr/
World Mountain Trophy 2009	www.wmrt2009.com
American Trail Running Association	www.trailrunner.com
Teva	www.teva.com
SportHill Clothing	www.sporthill.com
Windermere	www.juliebryan.mywindermere.com
Fleet Feet Sports-Boulder	www.fleetfeetboulder.com
Wicked Fast Sports Nutrition	www.recover-ease.com

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