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### **SALEEN INCORPORATED REVEALS LIMITED EDITION “DARK HORSE” VEHICLE**

**Troy, MI (September 24, 2008)** . It has been an incredible year for Saleen, Inc, America's premiere niche vehicle manufacturer, with the elite 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sterling Signature Edition, the unveiling of the S5S Raptor at the New York Auto Show, production of the Dan Gurney Edition, release of the Racecraft brand and the much anticipated reveal of the 2009 Dark Horse Extreme Edition. With a limited production of 25 coupes being built, this has become a classic round up of high end performance at Saleen.

“Dark Horse is the meanest, darkest and fastest Saleen yet,” said Chris Theodore, Saleen CEO.

#### **The Product**

The Dark Horse provides 620HP with 600 ft.-lbs of torque with Speedlab SuperShaker option supplying exclusive styling while enhancing performance. “The vehicle takes advantage of the ram effect into the SuperShaker air box,” states Dan Agnew, Powertrain Engineering Manager, “it increases pressure in the air box, which adds boost by 0.5 psi and holds air charge temperature relatively constant even with the higher boost.”

#### **Styling**

This 25 unit special run combines the power and handling of the Saleen Extreme and the exclusive Heritage body style with interior and exterior cues found only in the “Dark Horse.” The elite Flat Black Exterior graphics and identification, Saleen serialized engine plaque, Navigation System and sport leather seating with Alcantara inserts adds to the exquisite style of this limited edition vehicle.

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“The Dark Horse provides the capability of extreme horsepower and provides the detailed look our customers expect. By merging the Super Shaker with the Extreme powertrain we have created a no compromise solution for people looking for both performance and classic Mustang looks,” states Marc Musial, Chief Powertrain Engineer. The Dark Horse includes:

- Saleen Port Matched Series VI Integrated Screw type supercharger
- Forged aluminum pistons
- Forged steel connecting rods
- forged steel crankshaft

The composition of the Dark Horse provides the most intense Saleen ride yet.

#### **Production**

The production of the Dark Horse begins November 2008.

## **ABOUT SALEEN**

Since the company's inception in 1984, Saleen has produced over 12,000 complete and EPA certified, specialty vehicles, more than any other specialty automobile manufacturer. In addition, Saleen has equipped more than 600,000 vehicles worldwide, further emphasizing their capabilities and commitment to excellence.

A nine-time Manufacturers' Champion in GT sports car racing, Saleen manufactured the American super car - the Saleen S7, as well as the S281 Mustang, S331 Sport Truck and the Saleen/Parnelli Jones Limited Edition Mustang. Saleen's manufacturing facilities are located in Troy, Michigan. The Michigan facility has also just completed all paint and assembly of the Ford GT as a special project for Ford Motor Company and currently is providing paint and subassembly for the Dodge Viper SRT-10.

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