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Wheeling Company Helps Tampa Bay Rays Clinch Wild Card

WHEELING, IL- In dramatic fashion, the Tampa Bay Rays clinched the American League Wild Card, on a walk off home run by Evan Longoria, in the bottom of the 12th inning. Longoria, who hit a 3-run home run earlier in the game, frequently trains with Drive Performance's iTrac Vision Training System.

Since 2008, the year they went to the World Series, the Rays have used the iTrac Vision Training System, available at Drive Performance in Wheeling, IL. Drive has certified instructors located all over the United States, many of whom are based in Chicagoland area, who train with MLB players at the stadium before each game.

Eric Maleski, Director of Training at Drive Performance, said "As a small market team, the Rays are forced to spend money wisely. The fact they have continued to invest in iTrac since their last World Series run, speaks to their feelings about the importance of iTrac to a winning organization." Maleski has personally trained the Rays, Chicago Cubs, the San Francisco Giants and many other teams, and as Director of Major League Training, oversees all iTrac trainers. Last season, iTrac trainers worked with the 2010 World Champion San Francisco Giants and several other MLB Teams.

Players and coaches believe iTrac slows down the game, therefore increasing pitch recognition and improving one's ability to track the ball to the point of contact. The iTrac training program conditions the visual processing system to facilitate faster reaction times and maximize player performance. iTrac has been featured on MLB.com, ESPN's Baseball Tonight, NBC's the TODAY Show, TBS and in USA Today.

Drive Performance is Chicagoland's premier provider of baseball and softball training for players of all ages and skill levels. Our dynamic team is committed to helping every player elevate their game via our comprehensive DRIVE to Perform Training Program, state-of-the art training environment, expert instructors and iTrac Vision Training System.

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