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## Kevin Harvick No. 2 YOU CRATE Chevrolet Kroger 200 Post-Race Report

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### Harvick's Fuel Tank One Lap Too Small at Martinsville

**Martinsville, Va. (October 20, 2008)** --- Kevin Harvick and the No. 2 YOU CRATE Kevin Harvick Inc. (KHI) Chevrolet team ran in the top three all day at Martinsville (Va.) Speedway until the final lap of the race when the last drops of gas in the fuel tank only allowed Harvick to slowly coast across the finish line in the 15th-position.

"It looks like we need to work a little harder on fuel mileage," said Harvick with a smile. "Ernie (Cope, crew chief) and the guys gave me a great truck, I think we had the right strategy, but we just came up a lap short. We will take this truck to Phoenix and really show them how to get it done."

Harvick began the Kroger 200 from the third position. During the first caution period at lap 35, the entire field came down pit road. The No. 2 team decided to take fuel only and make a track bar adjustment to help Harvick's loose-handling truck. The team knew they were 20 green-flag laps shy of making the distance on the tank of fuel, but banking on enough caution laps Cope instructed Harvick to save fuel. Harvick ran second most of the day to KHI teammate Ron Hornaday. Falling to third on lap 80, Harvick radioed the crew that he wasn't pushing the truck in an effort to conserve fuel and save his right-rear tire, but he was too loose coming off the corners at both ends of the track.

By lap 152, the team believed that they had run enough caution laps to be able to make it to the end on fuel. However, within three laps of the checkered flag, Harvick's KHI teammate Hornaday began to slow on the front stretch, out of fuel. One lap later, as the No. 2 YOU CRATE Chevrolet was running in the second position, the truck began to sputter. Harvick completed the final lap on fumes, coasting across the finish line in the 15th position.

The No. 2 team returns to Atlanta Motor Speedway this weekend with Sprint Cup veteran, Ryan Newman.

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### STATS RECAP Race Info

**October 18, 2008**  
**Martinsville (Va.) Speedway**  
**Race:** 21 of 25  
**Driver:** Kevin Harvick  
**Started:** 3rd  
**Finished:** 15th  
**Truck Series Owner's Point Standings:** 8th

### Next on the Schedule for the No. 2:

**Date:** October 25, 2008  
**Track:** Atlanta Motor Speedway  
**Event Name:** Atlanta 200  
**Driver:** Ryan Newman  
**Broadcast Time:** Speed Channel  
1:30 pm, EST; MRN 1:30 pm, EST