

JEGS Northern SPORTSnationals to host diesel class.

In an effort between NHRA Division 3 Director Jay Hullinger and former DHRA CEO Eric McBride, diesels will have their own class at an NHRA race. The 2009 JEGS Northern SPORTSnationals is listed on the Lucas Oil Drag Racing series schedule for September 25-27 will feature a "Pro Street Diesel" class. The class; boasts heads up, pro tree racing with full-bodied diesel trucks. Some entries are 4wd and some are 2wd, and a good portion of those vehicle are running 9-second quarter mile times.

"This is a chance to get in on the ground floor and earn our way into an NHRA racing series." Eric McBride said. "When we closed the doors to Diesel Hot Rod Association, I still wanted to continue to promote the diesel drag racing community." Eric continued, "DHRA was an important stepping stone to getting organization into diesel drag racing. In 2002 when I approached NHRA about diesel classes I was just a drag racer that had no clue on how things in the racing industry worked. And, diesel drag racing was virtually unheard of, especially in California. So after 6 years of hard work, I felt we had an audience with NHRA so when I called Jay and discussed the possibilities, I was pleasantly surprised with his willingness to see this through."

If your team is interested in competing in the Pro Street Diesel class; or your company would like to be a part of this historical race; please contact Eric McBride: dieselsport at verizon.net