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SMOKE ON THE WATER Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG Inspires New Cigarette 46' Racing Boat

Inspired by the Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG Super Sports Car, Cigarette Racing's custom 46' Rider—unveiled at the Miami International Boat Show—features a pair of revolutionary twin-turbocharged 552-cu.in. 1,350-hp Mercury Racing engines, capable of propelling the boat to speeds in excess of 130 mph.

The 2011 Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG—developed exclusively by Mercedes-AMG, the high performance and motorsports division of Mercedes-Benz—features a lightweight aluminum space-frame chassis, hand-built 563-hp AMG V8 and signature Gullwing doors.

The new Cigarette 46' Rider features hand-applied AMG ALUBEAM silver paintwork also available on the SLS AMG. This process, used exclusively by AMG, covers body surfaces like a metallic skin, targeting light reflections to further emphasize exterior character lines and design details. Using state-of-the-art nanotechnology, the finish embeds tiny pigments of color measuring just 30 to 50 nanometres. The ALUBEAM silver is contrasted with AMG Designo Mystic White metallic while echoing the Mercedes-AMG logo. The boat's interior features marine-grade upholstery resembling the two-tone AMG Designo porcelain and white Nappa leather offered on the SLS AMG.

From the propulsion system to the rigging, a clean sheet approach was utilized to build the 46' Cigarette. While many influences of the SLS AMG can be seen in the paint work and interior, the true benefits of the relationship lie beneath the surface. With more than 100 innovations, the 46' Rider serves as a technology showcase for Cigarette.

Since 1969, Cigarette Racing Team's iconic shapes have been recognized worldwide throughout the luxury powerboating industry. The brand is renowned for a custom approach to building, in which each customer's personal touch is incorporated. Cigarette's boats, from 38' to 50', are driven by presidents and enthusiasts alike. For information, visit www.cigaretteracing.com/legendary. ■

