

WWE® Invigorates Sponsorship Strategy, Expands Digital Sales Effort to Bring Greater Value to Business Partners

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STAMFORD, Conn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--

World Wrestling Entertainment(R) is placing a greater focus on umbrella sponsorship of the WWE to build new brand relationships and provide greater value to business partners. The new approach has WWE focused on using its multi-platform assets to provide a diverse mix of opportunities for brands looking to develop more year-round integrated marketing programs and tap into the significant buying power of WWE's sizeable and unrivaled fan base. In the past, companies were limited to sponsoring individual events such as WrestleMania(R), SummerSlam(R) and other major pay-per-view events.

"WWE can combine its robust assets and rights with a wide variety of sponsorship opportunities to help multinational companies implement effective marketing programs that will resonate with consumers. We are definitely a more economically-viable and efficient option to comparable sports and entertainment brands, such as NFL, MLB and NBA," said Basil V. DeVito Jr., Senior Advisor, WWE. "Especially considering we have no off-season, no repeats and the weekly delivery of WWE.com."

Patricia Clark, Vice President Digital Sales, and Ethan Green, Vice President, Sponsorship and Talent Brands, will work closely together to develop comprehensive, integrated marketing efforts for business partners that take full advantage of WWE's broad variety of media platforms, including live events, pay-per-view, digital and mobile assets, and WWE Superstar integration.

Patricia Clark, Vice President Digital Sales for WWE, has led the digital sales team since joining WWE in 2006 from Fox Interactive Media, where she was Director of Integrated Sales. During her time at Fox, Clark coordinated integrated sales efforts for multiplatform deals with broadcast, online, print, cable, DirecTV, events and mobile.

Under Clark's leadership, WWE has expanded its sales staff over the past year, including opening offices in Chicago and Los Angeles in addition to its offices in New York City, London, Toronto and its headquarters in Stamford, Conn.

Green joined WWE in 2006 as Vice President, Talent Brand Management. Before WWE, Green was Senior Director of Marketing at NBC Universal's Dew Action Sports Tour. Previous experiences include serving as Vice President at UK sponsorship agency Redmandarin and Manager, Global Sponsorship Strategy, at Compaq Computer Corp. Green's current efforts at WWE have focused on developing talent brands, initially working with WWE Champion John Cena. The effort has successfully elevated Cena's brand standing, resulting in placement in high profile commercials for Subway and participation in the upcoming Gillette-sponsored reality series, "Fast Cars and Superstars" debuting in June on ABC. Cena will be part of upcoming promotions for Gillette Fusion razors.

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