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The Hankook Tire/Peak Performance Nissan 350Z and 240SX just completed Round 4 of the 2008 Formula Drift Championship series in Las Vegas. The hot and crowded Las Vegas event brought some exciting action and presents a positive future for the team.

At Las Vegas Motor Speedway, Robbie Nishida proved once again that he is one of the best. Robbie qualified #1 of the non-seeded drivers with the event's fastest entry ever at an incredible 98.5 MPH. The Hankook Tire/Peak Performance Nissan 350Z was pitted against Tanner Foust in the first round of eliminations, a daunting task given that Tanner is currently ranked first in the series and is last year's champion. Robbie piloted the Z in tandem battle against Tanner, coming out with a one point advantage. Too close to call as Formula D rules state, a "One More Time" round allowed the full potential of the Hankook Tire/Peak Performance Team to be put on display. After the dust settled, Robbie emerged with a 3 point advantage, defeating the champion to move on. In the Top 8 round, Robbie had a clear cut advantage over Dai Yoshihara but being in Las Vegas, it wasn't in the cards for Robbie and Dai moved on, eventually to a second place victory.



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Team Manager Eddie Kim said, "The Hankook Tire/ Peak Performance Team is very excited about the results of Las Vegas." "Having all the bugs worked out, the car and driver are now beginning to realize their full potential. Its all very Zen", he said. "As a result, we can expect some positive results at one of Robbie's favorite tracks, Evergreen Speedway in Seattle."