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HE SOUND AND THE FURY: BEHIND THE KILLER TORNADOS OF 2011

Discovery's STORM CHASERS Explain the Why and How in an all-new world premiere special, TORNADO RAMPAGE 2011 on Sunday, May 22, 2011, 9 PM (ET/PT) on Discovery Channel

(Silver Spring, Md.) –With nearly 200 tornados recorded and over 300 lives lost in just a single day, weather history was made on Wednesday, April 27, 2011 in the worst tornado outbreak since 1974. Discovery Channel's **STORM CHASERS** were filming that day in the center of the action and now present never-before-seen footage, recount their harrowing stories and put into both scientific and human context the overwhelming tragedy in the all new special **TORNADO RAMPAGE 2011 airing Sunday, May 22 at 9PM ET/PT on Discovery Channel.**

STORM CHASERS' Reed Timmer, Sean Casey and Tim Samaras were all filming with their chase teams on Wednesday, April 27th for the new season of their series when they become caught up in unprecedented multiple tornados. Their exclusive, never-before-seen footage combined with meteorlogical expertise and years of chasing experience helps piece together a day that saw so much destruction and loss of life.

Tornados are one of Mother Nature's most mystifying, deadly forces. When conditions are just right what starts as a breeze can becomes a mass of spinning energy as loud as a jet engine and as strong as a freight train. All three chase teams witnessed the storms from different locations across the South allowing Discovery to offer a comprehensive, 360° look at this unimaginable tragedy.

"In all my years of chasing tornados, this was hands down the most unforgettable day. The intensity of the storm activity and the sheer number of tornados that touched down is overwhelming and heartbreaking. By studying this historic day we hope to learn more information for our research and help better predict tornados and save lives," said **STORM CHASERS'** meteorologist Reed Timmer

TORNADO RAMPAGE 2011 is produced for Discovery Channel by Darlow Smithson. Tom Brisley and Guy Davies are executive producers. For Discovery Channel, Stephen Reverend is executive producer.

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