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AN INTERVIEW WITH LORENA OCHOA

Q. That was a big relief just to know you are going on.

LORENA OCHOA: Yes, it is a big relief, hopefully it's good enough not to have to go to a playoff. It went good thankfully. I just played really hard the first hole, and a really big change from yesterday, because I started out with a birdie on the first hole and a birdie on the fourth hole, and I had really good momentum. I was feeling really good.

Q. (Inaudible)?

LORENA OCHOA: All the way it was tied. I heard in the morning, we'll do it. (Inaudible) at the end it was just so close. So I'm just glad I'm 4-under and in good shape for tomorrow.

Q. There was a lot of 68's, a 69, a 65 today, with so much at stake does it surprise you that so many people went fairly low?

LORENA OCHOA: No. You are talking about the first place in the world and this is a competition that you just have to go low, you know. And in the first nine holes the wind was not too tough. Actually, it was in a nice direction where we could get a little bit more aggressive, you know. And, you know, everyone wants to be in tomorrow, so you have to do it all.

Q. After making the putt to get in yesterday did you feel like that was some momentum that you could build on today?

LORENA OCHOA: Yes, of course. After my first round I didn't feel as comfortable on the greens, and my tee shots. After that, that second round, I just put myself in a good position. I felt more comfortable with the greens, with the speed, make really good putts coming back for par, and a couple of birdies. I just changed everything. Today I was more relaxed. I knew I had a good round with me. It was an easier day than yesterday.

Q. Are you glad that the scores, everybody starts even, no ground to make up tomorrow?

LORENA OCHOA: I'm very happy. They asked me if I liked the format. If you are

in, you love the format. If you're out, you don't like it. So tomorrow I'm just glad that I'm in, in position. Like I said, I know I'm playing good and I'm going to try to do just my own thing. Hopefully tomorrow it's just one of those low rounds for me.

Q. How much do you enjoy while you are out there, seeing all the fans and the Mexican flags?

LORENA OCHOA: Very much. I love to see them. They gave me motivation to play good, not only for me, but for all of them. Tomorrow is the last round of the year, it's been a fantastic year for me, so, tomorrow I'm going to come here and be happy, concentrate, and enjoy my round as much as I can and hopefully good things will happen.

Q. What were they chanting, your fans, what were they saying?

LORENA OCHOA: Go Lorena,, go Lorena, more like a soccer.

Q. Why do you make such a point to wave to your fans and acknowledge them even in the middle of every hole?

LORENA OCHOA: Why do I do it?

Q. Yes.

LORENA OCHOA: I appreciate them very much. They say very nice things to me. They have been with me good times and bad times.

Q. Tomorrow do you play aggressive from the beginning? Do you wait a couple of holes to see what is shaking out or how do you approach that?

LORENA OCHOA: You know, there isn't really a game plan. It depends on the other players too (Inaudible). You never, I'm going to try to do my own thing. The other players, I'm going to get here, maybe a round like today will do it. (Inaudible). When you got good momentum, and other players can see your name up there, you are under pressure and all of that. So I think the start is very, very important, the first five or six holes.

Q. Are you working harder in this tournament?

LORENA OCHOA: Geez, yes.

Q. The four twosomes tomorrow, will that twosome have an advantage do you think, knowing what the first six players in front of them have done?

LORENA OCHOA: No. I mean they are the ones too far apart. Sometimes the winners come from behind. People are just more comfortable being behind under pressure. I think tomorrow the pairings are going to be key. I don't know how they are going to do it. I might as well be happy.

Q. Is that the added pressure that makes you feel that way?

LORENA OCHOA: I think you just have to be mentally and physically prepared. I think that some went down today, it just takes too much out of you. Tomorrow is going to be important to be in good shape and to be mentally tough, to put yourself together. The last five holes are so tough, you got to be patient and really make a smart decision.

Q. Tomorrow is not a Major, but how important is it, how do you rank the importance?

LORENA OCHOA: I don't really have an opinion. You know, if you win the tournament, I always play to win every tournament that I'm in. And tomorrow will be

just, you know, great to get a all of those things and get a win. (Inaudible) a school for kids.

Q. A golf school or regular school?

LORENA OCHOA: A regular school.

Q. Guadalajara?

LORENA OCHOA: Yes.

Q. Does it matter tomorrow that you don't have to beat Annika?

LORENA OCHOA: No, I like her, I wish she was her.
