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Kennywood Amusement Park Announces Sky Rocket as New Launch Coaster's Name

West Mifflin, PA – Kennywood is proud to announce *Sky Rocket* as the name of the new launch coaster opening in 2010. *Sky Rocket* will feature Linear Synchronous Motor (LSM) launch technology, making this ride unlike any other roller coaster in the Kennywood ride line-up.

“With this coaster's incredible launch that shoots you straight up and the plummet back down, Sky Rocket is a name that really fits the ride experience,” explains General Manager Jerome Gibas. “We’re confident our guests will enjoy this new addition to Kennywood’s collection of great roller coasters.”

Sky Rocket will feature many exciting and unique features including three inversions and a 0-50mph launch in three seconds! After the high-speed launch, riders will experience a vertical ascent to 95ft before a brief cliffhanger pause at the top and a 90-degree drop into a maximum G-force pullout.

The riders then enjoy extended airtime as the train races into an inverted top hat element, passes into a barrel roll and goes vertical again through a twist up leading to another pause.

Riders experience a second vertical free fall followed by another maximum G-force pullout on the way into a highly banked fan curve. After a traditional corkscrew, a curve to a zero gravity hill, and a series of wave turns, riders finally return to the station.

Sky Rocket is proudly built in the U.S.A. by Premier Rides of Millersville, Maryland.

The project is expected to be complete in 2010. See www.kennywood.com for a preview video and construction updates.



Ride Statistics:

Track Length: 2100 feet
Maximum Speed: 50 mph
Ride Time: 65 seconds
Number of Trains: 2
Number of Cars Per Train: 2
Number of Riders Per Train: 12

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See <http://www.premier-rides.com> for further information about Premier Rides.

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