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COLLIN MORIKAWA (-24, lost 1st playoff hole)

Q. Collin, we talked yesterday about how you need to do something special today to feel like you had a chance to win. Obviously really great round to get in the playoff. Just kind of assess the day as a hole.

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Yeah, playoffs suck when you're on the wrong side of them. You put everything you want into it and comes down to one hole, but that's what golf is. You've got to perform, you've got to execute the shots.

And we did a lot of that really good this week, it was awesome to see. Haven't seen that for 72 holes in a while.

And I still wouldn't have changed anything about hole 18 in regulation and the playoff. I truly thought I hit the perfect shot and I just was a little juiced, went a little far and just didn't have the putter in the hand. Not that the chip wasn't possible, but would have been nice to have the putter in the hand. Overall, still pretty proud of myself.

Q. It's just been a few minutes since the playoff, but do you come away this week feeling positive about where you're at?

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Yeah. It will be exciting heading to The Open. I'm going to take Scottish off, I just haven't played in the last two years well there, so we're going to get a little more links prep out there.

This is kind of how the golf I wanted to play. Today I thought I played really well, first three days I thought it was pretty mediocre. It's kind of the old Collin hopefully back, just knowing that we're going to keep it in front of myself, give myself some looks, and when putts go in and shots are a little closer we have days like today. It will be really exciting for me I think heading to The Open.

Q. Collin, that approach on 18, the way you walked after you hit it, you really looked -- did you think you stuffed it in there?

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Yeah, the way the ball reacted, the way the greens are reacting, you knew with a 9-iron it's going to spin back. I was trying to still land it pin high, but after I hit it I felt max it'd be landing two, three pass, landed five past, two yards too far. But golf is a game of inches really. You saw my putt on 18, high side lip-out, drip speed. Sometimes it's just not meant, and we're going to go fight for it, we're going to go earn it somehow come the



rest of the season.

Q. I don't know if this is too soon, but do you feel something for Rickie after everything?

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Yeah, look, he's been playing amazing golf. It's not like this is a one-time thing. He's been playing phenomenal golf, it's great to see. People love him. The fans still come out to see him no matter how he's playing, but he's been playing well.

Look how he's been playing, especially the U.S. Open, the scores he's been posting last week, it's awesome. The grind isn't easy. It never is, doesn't matter where you are. Obviously playing on this stage is nice.

But yeah, look, I'm in this little lull and this hopefully is just that boost to just get me out of it. Felt really, really good this week and that's kind of -- that feeling that he had on 18 right there on the playoff is just, that's what you want. Winning's everything.

