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P-BRUINS SWEEP THREE GAME WEEKEND WITH 5-2 WIN

Hartford, CT – The Providence Bruins defeated the Hartford Wolf Pack Sunday night 5-2 to sweep their three-game road trip. The P-Bruins got two goals from Alex Grant while Chris Porter, Tyler Randell and Austin Czarnik each added tallies. Zane McIntyre earned the start in goal on the same day he was returned from emergency recall.

The Wolf Pack struck early in the opening period to take a 1-0 lead. Just 2:43 into the game, Steven Fogarty put a shot on McIntyre that was saved with his right pad, but the rebound kicked right to Taylor Beck. Beck stuffed home his 18th goal of the season as Hartford grabbed a quick lead. Providence tied the game at 15:10 of the period thanks to their second power play of the period. Peter Cehlarik sent a pass to the right point where Grant was waiting all alone. A wrist shot found the back of the net for his 15th goal of the season as the teams headed to the locker room tied 1-1.

Much like they did last night, Providence exploded in the second period to take control of the game. After Porter netted his sixth goal of the season, Randell scored his first of the season just six seconds later. It was the fastest the team has scored two goals all season as the P-Bruins took a 3-1 lead. That remained the score for most of the period, but Providence added a late goal while shorthanded. With 34 seconds left, Jake DeBrusk stole the puck and skated towards the net. He left the puck for Czarnik, who sent a rocket of a slap shot by Magnus Hellberg for his fifth goal of the season and the P-Bruins brought a 4-1 lead into the second intermission.

Grant put the final nail in coffin at 8:53 of the third for his first two-goal game of the season. After Ryan Fitzgerald chipped the puck out to the neutral zone, Grant skated up the left side and went five-hole with a wrist shot for goal number 16 of the season. Michael Joly got a goal back for the Wolf Pack, but Providence went on to win 5-2 and move into third place in the Eastern Conference.

McIntyre stopped 21 of 23 shots while Hellberg stopped 34 of 39. Providence was 1-4 on the power play and 6-7 on the penalty kill. The P-Bruins close out the month of March Friday at the Dunk when they welcome the Albany Devils to town at 7:05pm for the final game between the two before the Devils relocate.

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