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Taylor Pyatt has re-signed with the Canucks. The deal will give him around three million over the next two seasons. Will be interesting to see if he can improve off of a career year playing with the Sedin twins.

Calgary has re-signed both Marcus Nilson and speedster Matthew Lombardi. Nilson's deal is for two years, while Lombardi's is for three.

Keep an eye on Lombardi; he has just begun to find his offensive game in the NHL.

It looks as if Atlanta is going to let Keith Tkachuk walk as a free agent. In hindsight the deal to land him looks like pure robbery for the Blues.

Atlanta would have to give up an additional first-rounder to St. Louis if they re-signed Tkachuk.

Expect San Jose to lock up Craig Rivet before he hits the open market on July 1<sup>st</sup>. His leadership, defensive play and shot from the point really helped the Sharks.

Expect him to help fill the void left by the (potentially) departing Scott Hannan.

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St. Louis signed a bunch of prospects today, including **Patrick Berglund and Nikolai Lemtyugov.** □ **Both have top-six potential and have a shot at cracking the roster for next season.**

**The Blues wealth of young talent is really going to be noticed in 07-08.**

**The Oilers look poised to make a big move before or at the draft.** □ **They have lots of draft picks and young assets.**

**Look for them to target a young forward.**

**Brad Richards name keeps popping up in rumors, as does Joni Pitkanen from Philadelphia.**

**One under the radar move to keep an eye on: the Blackhawks signed veteran Swedish rearguard Magnus Johansson.** □ **He plays a similar game to Brian Rafalski and has a chance at putting up good numbers on the Hawks powerplay.**

**Now all they need to do is find a taker for Adrian Aucoin and his bloated contract...**