



U.S. Department
of Transportation

**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

ODI RESUME

Investigation: EQ 12-004
Prompted by: 12V-125
Date Opened: 04/02/2012
Investigator: Alexander Ansley
Approver: Jennifer Timian
Subject: TSE Brakes, Inc. Hill Hold Requirements

MANUFACTURER & PRODUCT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: SPARTAN CHASSIS, INC., TSE BRAKES, INC.
Products: TSE Brakes, Inc. Part# 3030TLH2
Population: 13 (Estimated)

Problem Description:

FAILURE REPORT SUMMARY

	ODI	Manufacturer	Total
Complaints:	0	TBD	TBD
Crashes/Fires:	0	TBD	TBD
Injury Incidents:	0	TBD	TBD
Fatality Incidents:	0	TBD	TBD
Other*:	0	TBD	TBD

*Description of Other:

ACTION / SUMMARY INFORMATION

Action: Open EQ

Summary:

On March 22, 2012, Spartan Motors Chassis, Inc. (Spartan) notified the NHTSA that it had decided a defect exists in certain model year 2012 K2 and MG chassis manufactured from December 15, 2011, through January 31, 2012, and equipped with 3030 brake chambers. These vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard Number 121, "Air Brake Systems" because they do not meet the park brake and draw bar requirements. The park brake may not hold the vehicle in place and if the vehicle moves, injury or property damage could occur without warning. NHTSA assigned recall number 12V-125 to this matter.

Spartan reported that the manufacturer of the defective brake chambers was TSE Brakes, Inc. (TSE). RMD understands that other manufacturers might have used the same or similar product in their vehicles. RMD intends to write to TSE to learn if this product was sold to any other vehicle manufacturer.

The purpose of this EQ is to write to any other companies that might have purchased this equipment, notify them of this defect in any vehicles they manufactured, and to ensure thorough safety recalls are conducted where appropriate.