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COMPLIANCE ADMINISTRATOR
SPARTAN CHASSIS, INC.
1165 REYNOLDS ROAD
CHARLOTTE MI 48813

NVS-215
06V-094

Subject: BUSSMAN BOX FAILURE

Dear MS. OBERLIN:

This letter is to acknowledge your recent defect (or noncompliance) information report. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

Makes/Models/Model Years:

SPARTAN/K2/2006-2007
SPARTAN/K3/2006-2007
SPARTAN/MG/2006-2007
SPARTAN/MM/2006-2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 06V-094

Mfg's Report Date: March 29, 2006

Components: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:FUSES AND CIRCUIT BREAKERS

Potential Number of Units Affected: 54

Summary:

ON CERTAIN MOTOR HOMES, THE BUSSMAN BOX WAS INCORRECTLY SOLDERED AND COULD FAIL.

Consequence:

ELECTRICAL POWER MAY BE LOST TO COMPONENTS OF THE MAJOR CHASSIS OPERATING SYSTEMS (ENGINE, TRANSMISSION, STARTING, COOLING) CAUSING THE VEHICLE TO SHUTDOWN AND/OR NOT BE CAPABLE OF POWERING UP. ONE OR A COMBINATION OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MAY OCCUR: LOSS OF ELECTRICAL POWER TO THE ENGINE, TRANSMISSION STARTING AND ENGINE COOLING SYSTEMS, IN THE OPERATION OF THE RIGHT CHASSIS STOP/TURN SIGNAL AND RIGHT TRAILER STOP/TURN SIGNAL, ANTILOCK BRAKE SYSTEM (ABS), AUXILIARY BRAKE SYSTEM, HEATER ELEMENTS IN THE AIR DRYER, AND/OR THE HEATER ELEMENT IN THE WATER IN-FUEL SEPARATOR, INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE DEFECTIVE COMPONENTS. THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOT YET PROVIDED AN OWNER NOTIFICATION SCHEDULE. OWNERS MAY CONTACT SPARTAN AT 1-517-543-6400.

Notes:

SPARTAN RECALL NO. SPEC 06005. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://www.safercar.gov).


Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to provide an estimated date including month, day, and year, when you will send notifications to owners, dealers, and distributors as soon as it becomes available.

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Your contacts for this recall will be Pat Wallace or Delia Lopez, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5232 or 202-366-9525 or by email at patricia.wallace@nhtsa.dot.gov or delia.lopez@NHTSA.dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

for 
George H. Person, Chief
Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigation
Enforcement