



Spartan Chassis, Inc.

1165 Reynolds Road - Charlotte, MI - 48813

573 DEFECT & NONCOMPLIANCE REPORT

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Description:	TRW (Manual) Column Drive Steering Column		
Internal Code:	06014	Date of Report:	6/8/2006

Submitted to: Associate Administrator for Safety Assurance
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
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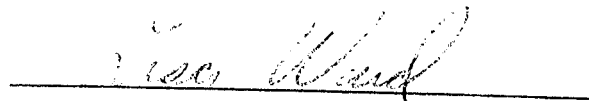
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PART 573 Defect and Noncompliance Report

I. IDENTIFY THE VEHICLE MODELS INVOLVED IN THE RECALL

2. Identify the Vehicles Involved in the Recall:

Make:	Spartan Chassis, Inc.		
Model:	K224360-025		
Model Years Involved:	2007		
Vehicle Type:	Motor Home		
Weight Range:	From GVWR:	46,000	To GVWR: 46,000
Weight Class:	From Class:	8	To Class: 8
Beginning VDM:	3/24/2006	Ending VDM:	4/20/2006
% Potentially Involved:	100%		

Descriptive information which characterizes/distinguishes the recalled vehicles from those model vehicles not included in the recall:

The recalled vehicles have a steering column with an incorrect bushing that does not properly limit the travel of the steering column as would a column with the correct bushing.

II. IDENTIFY THE RECALL POPULATION

3. Furnish the total number of vehicles recalled potentially containing the defect or non-compliance

MODEL	MODEL YEAR	No. POTENTIALLY INVOLVED
K224360-025	2007	2
TOTAL:		2

4. Furnish the approximate percentage of the total number of vehicles estimated to actually contain the defect or noncompliance.

Approximate Defect Percentage: 100%

Identify and describe how the recall population was determined--in particular how the recalled models were selected and the basis for the beginning and final dates of manufacture of the recalled vehicles:

The recall population was determined by identifying the vehicles within the serial number range of the suspect columns, and the supplier's containment process.

III. DESCRIBE THE DEFECT OR NONCOMPLIANCE

5. Describe the defect or noncompliance. The description should address the nature and physical location of the defect or noncompliance. Illustrations should be provided as appropriate.

The defect is the existence of an incorrect bushing located on the inside of the inner steering column tube.

Describe the cause(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

The supplier installed the incorrect bushing during their manufacturing process.

Describe the consequence(s) of the defect or noncompliance condition.

The defective bushing will allow the steering column to telescope beyond the intended design position. Upon full telescoping of the column, the reduced engagement of the column tubing may limit the driver's capability to control the steering system.

Identify any warning which can (a) precede or (b) occur.

There is no warning.

If the defect or noncompliance is in a component or assembly purchased from a supplier, identify the supplier by corporate name and address:

Generic Component Name:	Steering Column
Supplier Part Number:	CA802SP100
Spartan Part Number:	same
Supplier Corporate Name:	TRW Automotive U.S. LLC
Address:	902 Lyons Rd. Portland, MI 48875
CEO or Knowledgeable Rep:	Ron Sichau

IV. PROVIDE THE CHRONOLOGY IN DETERMINING THE DEFECT/NONCOMPLIANCE

If the recall is for a defect, complete item 6, otherwise item 7

6. If defect, furnish a chronological summary with dates of all the principle events that were the basis for the determination of the defect. Include number of reports, accidents, injuries, fatalities, and warranty claims.

TRW advised Spartan on 5-22-06 of the defect and began their containment process at Spartan.

7. If noncompliance, identify and provide the test results or other data in chronological order with dates on which the noncompliance was determined.

N/A

V. IDENTIFY THE REMEDY

8. Furnish a description of the manufacturer's remedy for the defect or noncompliance. Clearly describe the differences between the recall condition and the remedy.

The bushing is being replaced, increasing the length of the engagement between the steering column tubes.

Clearly describe the distinguishing characteristics of the remedy component/assembly versus the recalled component/assembly.

The remedy component is a bushing that will allow appropriate engagement.

Identify and describe how and when the recall condition was corrected in production. If the production remedy was identical to the recall remedy in the field, so state. If the product was discontinued, so state.

The recall condition was corrected in production through the installation of the the correct bushing. The production remedy is identical to the recall remedy.

VI. IDENTIFY THE RECALL SCHEDULE

Furnish a schedule or agenda, with specific dates, for notification to other manufacturers, dealers/retailers, and purchasers. Please identify any foreseeable problems with implementing this recall.

Notification to other manufacturers and dealers began 06-01-2006.

Notification to retail purchases- TBD

VII. FURNISH RECALL COMMUNICATIONS

9. Furnish a final copy of all notices, bulletins, and other communications that relate directly to the defect or noncompliance and which are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, or purchaser. This includes all communications concerning this recall from the time your company determines the defect or noncompliance condition on, not just the initial notification.

DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION	DATE AND MANNER SUBMITTED
Notification letter to other manufacturers	06/01/2006, email
Draft Notification letter to purchasers	TBD
Press release (if applicable)	N/A
Recall Service Bulletin (RSB)	TBD
Notification Envelope	Pre-approved

All documents to be faxed to 202-366-7882, then mailed.

The manufacturer's campaign identification number if not identical to the number assigned by NHTSA.

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