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of Transportation
**National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration**

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1000 REYNOLDS ROAD
CHARLOTTE, MI 48813

NVS-215kjs
09V-478

SUBJECT: ADJUSTABLE BRAKE PEDAL ASSEMBLIES

DEAR MR. CHESTNUT:

This letter serves to acknowledge Spartan Chassis, Inc.'s (Spartan) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall campaign which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the vehicles listed below.

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/K2/2008
SPARTAN/K3/2008-2009
SPARTAN/MM/2008-2010

Mfg's Report Date: December 15, 2009

NHTSA Campaign Number: 09V-478

Components: SERVICE BRAKES, AIR
SERVICE BRAKES, HYDRAULIC

Potential Number of Units Affected: 70

Summary:

SPARTAN IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2008 THROUGH 2010 MM, K2, AND K3 MOTORHOME CHASSIS MANUFACTURED FROM APRIL 27, 2007 AND AUGUST 11, 2009, EQUIPPED WITH PNEUMATIC AND HYDRAULIC ADJUSTABLE BRAKE PEDAL ASSEMBLIES P/NOS. 6562618, 6565118, 77025-001, 77025-002, 77025-501, 77050-004, SUPPLIED BY KONGSBERG AUTOMOTIVE.

SOME ASSEMBLIES COULD CONTAIN A DRIVE PIN THAT IS BELOW SPECIFICATION AND MAY BECOME DISENGAGED FROM THE BRAKE ARM CAUSING SEPARATION OR LOOSENING OF THE PEDAL FROM THE REMAINDER OF THE ASSEMBLY.

Consequence:

IF THE DRIVE PIN BECOMES DISENGAGED ON THE BRAKE PEDAL ASSEMBLY, IT COULD RESULT IN A LOSS OF VEHICLE BRAKING FUNCTION AND/OR CAUSE THE BRAKE PEDAL TO INTERFERE WITH THE THROTTLE PEDAL FUNCTION. EITHER CONDITION COULD RESULT IN A VEHICLE CRASH.

Remedy:

SPARTAN IS WORKING WITH KONGSBERG AND THE VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS TO REMEDY THESE MOTORHOMES. PLEASE SEE RECALL 09E-064. THE REMEDY WILL BE PERFORMED BY SPARTAN FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 4, 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT SPARTAN TOLL-FREE AT 1-800-543-4277 - OPTION 1.

Notes:

SPARTAN'S RECALL CAMPAIGN NUMBER 09027. OWNERS 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).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have received Spartan's proposed owner notification letter and it meets the requirements of Part 577. 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).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov, or through the office email at RMD.ODI@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Person".

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