



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
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National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

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Mr. Wesley D. Chestnut
Compliance and Validation
Spartan Motors, Inc.
1541 Reynolds Road
Charlotte, MI 48813

NVS-220
Petition 00206
ES12-000459

Dear Mr. Chestnut:

This is to notify you that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has made a determination to deny the Utilimaster Corporation's January 23, 2012, petition for an exemption based on inconsequentiality from the recall requirements of 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301. NHTSA has determined that Utilimaster Corporation's noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 206, *Door Locks and Door Retention Components*, is not inconsequential to motor vehicle safety.

With this petition denied (copy enclosed), you must notify vehicle owners (49 U.S.C. 30118, 30119) and provide a free remedy (49 U.S.C. 30120.) Pursuant to 49 CFR 573.6(c)(8)(iii), please submit an amended Noncompliance Information Report to my office no later than five (5) working days from your receipt of this letter. The report should include the following information: a recall population, a problem description, a remedy, and a recall schedule. If a portion of the information is unknown, the report must still be submitted on time. The remaining information must be provided as it becomes available.

If you have any questions regarding your recall obligations, you may contact Jennifer Timian, Chief of the Recall Management Division at (202) 366-0209.

Sincerely,

Nancy L. Lewis
Associate Administrator
for Enforcement

Enclosure

