



U.S. Department of Transportation
**National Highway Traffic Safety
Administration**

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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Wes Chesnut
Lead, Compliance
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NVS-215KS
13V-046

Subject: Inclinometer may Allow Platform to Tilt too Low

Dear Mr. Chesnut:

This letter serves to acknowledge Spartan ERV's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) 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/MMP 100/2008-2010
SPARTAN/RMP 100/2005-2011

Mfr's Report Date: February 10, 2013

NHTSA Campaign Number: 13V-046

Components:
EQUIPMENT:MECHANICAL

Potential Number of Units Affected: 26

Problem Description:

Spartan is recalling certain model year 2005-2011 RMP 100 and 2008-2010 MMP 100 aerial vehicle apparatus. These vehicles are equipped with a single platform inclinometer that may provide an intermittent signal allowing the platform to be tilted more than below the horizontal plane.

Consequence:

The intermittent signal may allow the aerial platform to be tilted more than below the horizontal plane which could allow the platform to strike nearby objects or people increasing the risk of injury or property damage.

Remedy:

Spartan will notify the owners, and dealers will replace the single inclinometer with a dual inclinometer installed in a sealed enclosure, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin in late February 2013. Owners may contact Spartan at 1-800-867-6478 Option 2.

Notes:

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.safercar.gov.

We have received Spartan's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

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 the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler who may be reached by phone at (202) 366-5227, or by email at kelly.schuler@dot.gov or through the office email at rmd.odi@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Timian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Jennifer Timian
Chief, Recall Management Division
Office of Defects Investigations
Enforcement