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July 26, 2013

Ms. Nancy Lewis  
Associate Administrator for Enforcement  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
Attention: Recall Management Division  
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.  
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: Spartan Motors Chassis, Inc. - Defect Information Report - Amended

Dear Ms. Lewis:

On July 8, 2013, Spartan Motors, Inc, on behalf of Spartan Motors Chassis, Inc. (Spartan Chassis) reported a defect relating to motor vehicle safety in certain altered vehicles. The original Defect Information Report has been amended to include the chronology of events.

Please contact me with any questions as it relates to this matter.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wesley D. Chestnut', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Wesley D. Chestnut  
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**Defect Information Report Amended  
13015**

**573.6(c)(1):** Spartan Motors Chassis, Inc.  
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**573.6(c)(2):** Vehicles affected by this recall were altered for by Spartan Chassis for the purpose of being completed as a transit bus and are equipped with an extension harness installed between the main chassis harness and fuel pump. Other vehicles produced by Spartan Chassis are not equipped with this extension harness.

<b>Make</b>	Spartan Motors Chassis, Inc.
<b>Models</b>	Transit Bus Chassis Cab
<b>Model Years</b>	2011 through 2013
<b>Vehicle Type</b>	Transit Bus Chassis Cab
<b>Weight Range (GVWR)</b>	14,200 lbs
<b>VDM Range</b>	2/17/11 through 2/14/2013

Table 1

**573.6(c)(3)** The total number of vehicles potentially containing the defect is shown in **Table 2**.

<b>Model</b>	<b>Model Year</b>	<b>Number Involved</b>
Transit Bus Chassis Cab	2011	4
Transit Bus Chassis Cab	2012	35
Transit Bus Chassis Cab	2013	7
<b>Total</b>		46

Table 2

**573.6(c)(4)** The percentage of vehicles produced between the dates of manufacturing shown in **Table 2** to contain the defect is unknown.

**573.6(c)(5)** Due to a improper connection of the power wire in the extension harness the fuel pump may inadvertently shut off causing fuel to not reach the engine. This will cause the engine to stall without warning. An inadvertent engine stall could result in a vehicle crash.



**573.6(c)(6)** **May 22, 2013** – Spartan Chassis receives an initial complaint of an inadvertent engine shutdown.

**June 2013 through July 2013** – An additional six complaints were submitted for an inadvertent engine shutdown. During the diagnosis of the issue, an improper connection of the power wire in the extension harness was identified. On July 8, 2013, Spartan Motors Chassis, Inc. decided a defect relating to motor vehicle safety exists in the affected vehicles.

**573.6(c)(8)** A new extension harness will be provided with the appropriate connector with and installation procedures to ensure a proper connection will be provided at no charge. Customer notification is expected to begin at the first of August 2013.



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### Final Stage Manufacturer List

Final Stage Manufacturer	Quantity
Glaval Bus – Division of Forest River PO Box 3030 Elkhart, IN 46515	46