



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

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Washington, DC 20590

June 21, 2012

MR. WESLEY D. CHESTNUT
SENIOR COMPLIANCE ANALYST
SPARTAN CHASSIS, INC.
1000 REYNOLDS ROAD
CHARLOTTE, MI 48813

NVS-215et
12V-279

Subject: FAN CLUTCH FASTENERS

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/GLADIATOR/2010-2012

NHTSA Campaign Number: 12V-279 **Mfg's Report Date:** June 19, 2012

Components: ENGINE: ENGINE COOLING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 102

Summary:
SPARTAN IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2010-2012 GLADIATOR EMERGENCY RESCUE CHASSIS MANUFACTURED FROM APRIL 12, 2010, THROUGH JUNE 5, 2012, EQUIPPED WITH A CUMMINS ISX 15L ENGINE AND FAN CLUTCH ASSEMBLY. SHEERING OF THE FASTENERS USED TO MOUNT THE FAN CLUTCH MOUNTING BRACKET TO THE FRONT OF THE ENGINE MAY LEAD TO SEPARATION OF THE COOLING FAN, FAN CLUTCH AND MOUNTING BRACKET.

Consequence:

IF THIS OCCURS AND CAB IS IN THE RAISED POSITION, THE SEPARATION COULD INCREASE THE RISK OF PERSONAL INJURY.

Remedy:

SPARTAN CHASSIS WILL NOTIFY OWNERS, AND REPAIR THE VEHICLES. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT JULY 13, 2012. OWNERS MAY CONTACT SPARTAN AT 1-800-543-5008.

Notes:

SPARTAN'S SAFETY RECALL NUMBER IS 12007. 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).

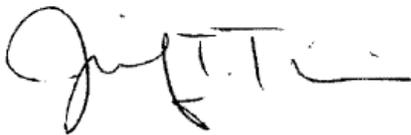
Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. 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 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Edison Thompson, who may be reached by phone at 1-202-366-9525, or by email at Edison.Thompson@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,



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