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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: Utilimaster - Defect Information Report

Dear Ms. Lewis:

Pursuant to Part 573 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations Spartan Motors, Inc, on behalf of Utilimaster hereby reports a defect relating to motor vehicle safety. Spartan Chassis has determined a defect exists with the control module for the keyless start system installed on approximately 330 walk-in vans.

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'.

Wesley D. Chestnut
Lead, Compliance



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Defect Information Report

573.6(c)(1): Utilimaster
608 Earthway Boulevard
Bristol, IN 46507

573.6(c)(2): Certain walk in vans affected by this recall are equipped with equipped with a keyless start/stop system supplied by TouchTronics, Inc. with a softward version that allows for a “double swipe” condition. Other vehicles equipped with this system are equipped with a software version that does not allow for this condition.

TouchTronics, Inc.
57315 Nagy Drive
Elkhart, IN 46517

Make	Utilimaster
Models	Reach
Model Years	2012 and 2013
Vehicle Type	Walk-In Vans
Weight Range (GVWR)	12000 lbs
VDM Range	TBD

Table 1

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

Model	Model Year	Number Involved
Reach	2012	TBD
Reach	2013	TBD
Total		330

Table 2

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

573.6(c)(5) The control module of the keyless start/stop system is subject to a “double swipe” condition that may result in an inadvertent engine shutdown. An inadvertent engine shutdown may occur without warning and result in a vehicle crash.

573.6(c)(6) Pending



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573.6(c)(8) Control modules with software changes that will not be conducive to a double swipe condition will be supplied at no charge. Customer notification is expected to begin at the end of July.