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Leading Fleet Solutions Provider, Utilimaster®, Expands Footprint to Eastern U.S. and Looks to Hire 100 New Employees in the Next 60 Days

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EPHRATA, Pa., Nov. 21, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Utilimaster®, a [Spartan Motors, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: SPAR) Company operating within Spartan's Fleet Vehicles & Services business unit ("Spartan" or "Spartan FVS"), plans to add 100 new employees in its Ephrata facility to support growing demand for Utilimaster's truck body solutions.



First shift open positions at the plant, located at 64 Cocalico Creek Road, include plant manager, plant supervisors, quality engineer, material lead, planner/expediter, general assemblers, and skilled trades team leaders to include welder, decalers, electrical assembly, and mechanical assembly . The pay range for skilled and salaried positions is based on applicant experience. Applicants with truck body production and assembly experience is preferred but not required.

Interested applicants can submit applications online at [theshyftgroup.com/careers](https://www.theshyftgroup.com/careers).

"We're in the midst of a remarkable period of growth and our team is expanding as a result," said Daryl Adams, President and Chief Executive Officer, Spartan Motors. "We build the very best purpose-built vehicles on the road today, so for new hires, this is a tremendous opportunity to join a growing team that I believe represents the very best in manufacturing excellence."

Utilimaster is offering a comprehensive and competitive regional benefits package which could include an up to \$3,000 sign on bonus, up to \$900 in wellness credits, tuition reimbursement for employees looking to continue their education, and holiday pay. Additionally, all Utilimaster and Spartan Motors employees are eligible to participate in Spartan's quarterly bonus program. Candidates hired after January 1, 2018 are eligible for benefits on the date of hire.

For more information on Spartan's Fleet Vehicles & Services and its Utilimaster brand, visit [theshyftgroup.com/fleet-vehicles](https://www.theshyftgroup.com/fleet-vehicles).

About Spartan Motors

Spartan Motors, Inc. is a leading designer, engineer, manufacturer and marketer of a broad range of specialty vehicles, specialty chassis, vehicle bodies and parts for the fleet and delivery, recreational vehicle (RV), emergency response, defense forces and contract assembly (light / medium duty truck) markets. The Company's brand names — Spartan Motors, Spartan Specialty Vehicles, Spartan Emergency Response, Spartan Parts and Accessories; Smeal® and its family of brands, including Ladder Tower™ and UST®; and Utilimaster®, a Spartan Motors Company — are known for quality, durability, performance, customer service and first-to-market innovation. The Company employs approximately 2,200 associates and operates facilities in Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Wisconsin, Nebraska, South Dakota; Saltillo, Mexico; and Lima, Peru. Spartan reported sales of \$591 million in 2016. Visit Spartan Motors at theshyftgroup.com.

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