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Spartan Chassis Announces Timothy Hamm as VP Sales Managing RV Business

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Company Bolsters Commitment to Recreational Vehicle Market With the Addition of Tim Hamm

CHARLOTTE, Mich., Feb. 18, 2014 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- [Spartan Chassis](#), a business unit of [Spartan Motors, Inc.](#) (Nasdaq:SPAR), has announced the addition of Timothy Hamm as Vice President, Sales and Business Development, Specialty Vehicles. The hiring of Mr. Hamm demonstrates Spartan Chassis's continued commitment to the recreational vehicle (RV) industry.

"Spartan Chassis is fortunate to be able to welcome someone of Tim Hamm's caliber to the team. His sales and extensive RV experience will aid in our continued development process," said Russell Chick, Executive Director, Sales, Program Management and Business Development at Spartan Motors Specialty Vehicles. "Tim's wealth of experience in the industry and his experience driving business success, will aid Spartan Motors Specialty Vehicles in continued business development and improvements. With that experience, Tim will be responsible for the day-to-day management of the RV business at Spartan."

Mr. Hamm joins Spartan Chassis after serving as regional manager for St. Paul, Minn., based H.B. Fuller. During his tenure with the company, Mr. Hamm was responsible for the acquisition of several accounts and incremental sales. Additionally, Mr. Hamm has been distinguished throughout his career for consistent achievement of objectives, leadership and performance improvements.

Mr. Hamm will be located full time in Elkhart County and will maintain his office in Bristol, Ind., where Spartan Motors has offices and manufacturing facilities. He will report to Russell Chick who is located in Charlotte, Mich., at the Spartan Motors Headquarters location.

About Spartan Chassis, Inc.

Spartan Chassis, Inc. is a world-class leader in the engineering, manufacturing and marketing of chassis and aftermarket parts for emergency response, recreational vehicle (RV), defense and specialty vehicles. End users recognize and request the Spartan Chassis brand, which consistently delivers superior performance, exceptional safety ratings and innovations which distinguish us from the competition. Visit Spartan Chassis at www.spartanchassis.com.

About Spartan Motors

Spartan Motors, Inc. designs, engineers and manufactures specialty chassis, specialty vehicles, truck bodies and aftermarket parts for the recreational vehicle (RV), emergency response, government services, defense, and delivery and service markets. The Company's brand names – Spartan™, Spartan Chassis™, Spartan ER™, Spartan ERV™ and Utilimaster® - are known for quality, performance, service and first-to-market innovation. The Company employs approximately 1,700 associates at facilities in Michigan, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Indiana, and Florida. Spartan reported sales of \$470 million in 2013 and is focused on becoming a global leader in the design, engineering and manufacture of specialty vehicles and chassis. Visit Spartan Motors at theshyftgroup.com.

This release contains several forward-looking statements that are not historical facts, including statements concerning our business, strategic position, financial strength, future plans, objectives, and the performance of our products. These statements can be identified by words such as "believe," "expect," "intend," "potential," "future," "may," "will," "should," and similar expressions regarding future expectations. These forward-looking statements involve various known and

unknown risks, uncertainties, and assumptions that are difficult to predict with regard to timing, extent, and likelihood. Therefore, actual performance and results may materially differ from what may be expressed or forecasted in such forward-looking statements. Factors that could contribute to these differences include operational and other complications that may arise affecting the implementation of our plans and business objectives; continued pressures caused by economic conditions and the pace and extent of the economic recovery; challenges that may arise in connection with the integration of new businesses or assets we acquire or the disposition of assets; issues unique to government contracting, such as competitive bidding processes, qualification requirements, and delays or changes in funding; disruptions within our dealer network; changes in our relationships with major customers, suppliers, or other business partners, including Isuzu; changes in the demand or supply of products within our markets or raw materials needed to manufacture those products; and changes in laws and regulations affecting our business. Other factors that could affect outcomes are set forth in our Annual Report on Form 10-K and other filings we make with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), which are available at www.sec.gov or our website. All forward-looking statements in this release are qualified by this paragraph. Investors should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a prediction of actual results. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements in this release, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

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