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Spartan Motors, Inc. Names Steve Guillaume as President of Specialty Chassis and Vehicles

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CHARLOTTE, Mich., May 18, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>Spartan Motors, Inc.</u> (Nasdaq:SPAR) ("Spartan" or the "Company") today announced the promotion of Steve Guillaume to President of the Specialty Chassis and Vehicles ("SCV") Business Unit, which includes responsibility for the RV Chassis portfolio, Specialty Vehicles, Defense and Government as well as Aftermarket Parts and Accessories. His appointment is effective May 11, 2015, and will report to Daryl Adams, President and CEO of Spartan Motors.

"Steve's diverse background and experience provides an excellent opportunity for us to expand the scope of our business," Daryl Adams, President and CEO of Spartan Motors, said. "Steve has a proven track record of achievement in general management and P&L leadership. This includes success and expertise in the commercial vehicles, diesel engines and specialty bodies segments."

Steve Guillaume joined Spartan Motors in January, 2015, as Vice President of New Business Development & Joint Ventures. In this role, Guillaume was responsible for managing Spartan's Joint Ventures and leading business development initiatives across the organization. Prior to joining the Company, Mr. Guillaume began his career in finance/accounting, before eventually progressing into a plant controller role. Later, Guillaume transitioned to business development and general management where he held numerous senior leadership positions with Navistar, a leading manufacturer of commercial trucks, buses, defense vehicles and engines.

Guillaume holds a Masters in Business Administration degree from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and a Bachelor of Business Administration from Baylor University.

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 – SpartanTM, Spartan ChassisTM, Spartan ERTM, Spartan ERVTM 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 and Indiana. Spartan reported sales of \$507 million in 2014 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.

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