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Spartan Motors to Attend Next Generation's Industrials Investor Conference

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CHARLOTTE, Mich., March 2 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Jim Knapp, chief financial officer of Spartan Motors, Inc. (Nasdaq: SPAR), will attend Next Generation Equity Research's Third Annual Industrials Conference on March 3 at the Hyatt Regency hotel, 151 E. Wacker Drive, in Chicago.

Next Generation's Industrials Conference provides institutional investors with access to management through a series of one-on-one and small group meetings. More information on the conference is located at http://www.nextgenres.com. Spartan previously attended the Next Generation Industrials Conferences in 2007 and 2008.

About Spartan Motors

Spartan Motors, Inc. (theshyftgroup.com) designs, engineers and manufactures custom chassis and vehicles for the recreational vehicle, fire truck, ambulance, emergency-rescue and specialty vehicle markets. The company's brand names -- Spartan(TM), Crimson Fire(TM), Crimson Fire Aerials(TM), and Road Rescue(TM) -- are known for quality, value, service and being the first to market with innovative products. The company employs approximately 1,200 at facilities in Michigan, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and South Dakota. Spartan reported sales of \$844.4 million in 2008 and is focused on becoming the premier manufacturer of specialty vehicles and chassis in North America.

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