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Name (line 1) **Spartan Motors, Inc.**

Execution Date
Month Day Year
12/03/98

Name (line 2)

Second Party

Name (line 1)

Execution Date
Month Day Year

Name (line 2)

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Address (line 2)

Address (line 3) **DETROIT**

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State/Country

48226
Zip Code

Domestic Representative Name and Address

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MARC A. BERGSMAN

Name of Person Signing

Marc A. Bergsman

Signature

October 16, 2000

Date

SECURITY AGREEMENT

THIS SECURITY AGREEMENT, dated as of December 3, 1998 (this "Security Agreement"), is made by SPARTAN MOTORS, INC., a Michigan corporation (the "Company"), in favor of NBD Bank, a Michigan banking corporation (the "Bank").

RECITALS

A. The Company has entered into a Credit Agreement of even date herewith (as amended or modified from time to time, including any agreement entered into in substitution therefor, the "Credit Agreement"), with the Bank pursuant to which the Bank may make Advances (as therein defined) to the Company.

B. Carpenter Industries, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Carpenter") has or will be issuing its demand note in the amount of \$4,300,000 to the Bank (such demand note, and any letter agreements, security agreements, and other agreements, documents and instruments executed in connection therewith at any time or otherwise executed or issued by Carpenter with or in favor of the Bank at any time, as amended or modified from time to time, the "Carpenter Loan Documents").

C. Under the terms of the Credit Agreement and the Carpenter Loan Documents, the Company has agreed to grant to the Bank, a first-priority security interest, subject only to security interests expressly permitted by the Credit Agreement, in and to the Collateral hereinafter described.

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To secure (a) the prompt and complete payment of all indebtedness, obligations and liabilities of the Company or any Subsidiary (any reference to Subsidiary herein includes all present and future Subsidiaries of the Company, and shall include, without limitation, Carpenter) now or hereafter owing to the Bank under or on account of the Credit Agreement or any other Loan Document, including without limitation any letters of credit, notes or other instruments issued to the Bank pursuant thereto, (b) the prompt and complete payment of all indebtedness, obligations and liabilities of Carpenter now or hereafter owing to the Bank under or on account of the Carpenter Loan Documents, including without limitation any letters of credit, notes or other instruments issued to the Bank pursuant thereto, (c) the performance of the covenants under the Credit Agreement and the other Loan Documents and under the Carpenter Loan Documents and any monies expended by the Bank in connection therewith, (d) the prompt and complete payment of all obligations and performance of all covenants of the Company or any subsidiary under any interest rate or currency swap agreements or similar transactions with the Bank and (e) the prompt and complete payment of any and all other indebtedness, obligations and liabilities of any kind of the Company or any Subsidiary to the Bank, in all cases, of any kind or nature, howsoever created or evidenced and whether now or hereafter existing, direct or indirect (including without limitation any participation interest acquired by the Bank in any such indebtedness, obligations or liabilities of the Company or any Subsidiary to any other person and any charge card liabilities), absolute or contingent, joint and/or several, secured or unsecured, arising by operation of law or otherwise, and whether incurred by the Company or any Subsidiary as principal, surety, endorser, guarantor, accommodation party or otherwise, including without limitation all principal and all interest (including any interest accruing subsequent to any petition filed by or against the Company or any Subsidiary under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code), indemnity and reimbursement obligations, charges, expenses, fees, attorneys' fees and disbursements and any other amounts owing thereunder (all of the aforesaid indebtedness, obligations and liabilities of the Company and its Subsidiaries

being herein called the "Secured Obligations", and all of the documents, agreements and instruments among the Company, the Subsidiaries, the Bank, or any of them, evidencing or securing the repayment of, or otherwise pertaining to, the Secured Obligations including without limitation the Credit Agreement, the Notes and the Security Documents, being herein collectively called the "Operative Documents"), for value received and pursuant to the Credit Agreement, the Company hereby grants, assigns and transfers to the Bank a first-priority security interest, subject only to Permitted Liens, in and to the following described property whether now owned or existing or hereafter acquired or arising and wherever located (all of which is herein collectively called the "Collateral"):

(a) All of the Company's present and future accounts, documents, instruments, general intangibles and chattel paper, including, but without limitation, all accounts receivable, contract rights, all deposit accounts and all monies and claims for money due or to become due to the Company, security held or granted to the Company, and all assets described in clause (d) below;

(b) All of the Company's furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment, whether now owned or hereafter acquired, and wherever located, and whether used by the Company or any other person, or leased by the Company to any person and whether the interest of Company is as owner, lessee or otherwise;

(c) All of the Company's present and future inventory of every type, wherever located, including but not limited to raw materials, work in process, finished goods and all inventory that is available for leasing or leased to others by the Company;

(d) All other present and future assets of the Company (whether tangible or intangible), including but not limited to all trademarks, tradenames, service marks, patents, industrial designs, masks, trade names, trade secrets, copyrights, franchises, customer lists, service marks, computer programs, software, tax refund claims, licenses and permits, and the good will associated therewith and all federal, state, foreign and other applications and registrations therefor, all reissues, divisions, continuations, renewals, extensions and continuations-in-part thereof now or hereafter in effect, all income, license royalties, damages and payments now and hereafter due or payable under and with respect thereto, including, without limitation, any damages, proceeds or payments for past or future infringements thereof and all income, royalties, damages and payments under all licenses thereof, the right to sue for past, present and future infringements thereof, all right, title and interest of the Company as licensor under any of the foregoing whether now owned and existing or hereafter arising, and all other rights and other interests corresponding thereto throughout the world (all of the assets described in this clause (d) collectively referred to as the "Intellectual Property");

(e) All books, records, files, correspondence, computer programs, tapes, disks, cards, accounting information and other data of the Company related in any way to the Collateral described in clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d) above, including but not limited to any of the foregoing necessary to administer, sell or dispose of any of the Collateral;

(f) All substitutions and replacements for, and all additions and accessions to, any and all of the foregoing; and

(g) All products and all proceeds of any and all of the foregoing, and, to the extent not otherwise included, all payments under insurance (whether or not the Bank is the loss payee thereof), and any indemnity, warranty or guaranty, payable by reason of loss or damage to or otherwise with respect to any of the foregoing.

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1. Representations, Warranties, Covenants and Agreements. The Company further represents, warrants, covenants, and agrees with the Bank as follows:

(a) Ownership of Collateral; Security Interest Priority. At the time any Collateral becomes subject to a security interest of the Bank hereunder, unless the Bank gent shall otherwise consent, the Company shall be deemed to have represented and warranted that (i) the Company is the lawful owner of such Collateral and has the right and authority to subject the same to the security interest of the Bank; (ii) other than Permitted Liens and lessors' interests with respect to any security interest in any property leased by the Company as lessee, none of the Collateral is subject to any Lien other than that in favor of the Bank and there is no effective financing statement or other filing covering any of the Collateral on file in any public office, other than in favor of the Bank. This Security Agreement creates in favor of the Bank a valid first-priority security interest, subject only to Permitted Liens, in the Collateral enforceable against the Company and all third parties and securing the payment of the Secured Obligations. All financing statements necessary to perfect such security interest in the Collateral have been delivered by the Company to the Bank for filing.

(b) Location of Offices, Records and Facilities. The Company's chief executive office and chief place of business and the office where the Company keeps its records concerning its accounts, contract rights, chattel papers, instruments, general intangibles and other obligations arising out of or in connection with the sale or lease of goods or the rendering of services or otherwise ("Receivables"), and all originals of all leases and other chattel paper which evidence Receivables, are located in the State of Michigan, County of Eaton, City of Charlotte, at 1000 Reynolds Road. The Company will provide the Bank with prior written notice of any proposed change in the location of its chief executive office. The Company's only other offices and facilities are at the locations set forth in Schedule 1(b) hereto. The Company will provide the Bank with prior written notice of any change in the locations of its other offices and the facilities at which any assets of the Company are located. The tax identification number of the Company is 38-2078923. The name of the Company is Spartan Motors, Inc., and the Company operates under no other names. The Company shall not change its name without the prior written consent of the Bank.

(c) Location of Inventory, Fixtures, Machinery and Equipment. (i) All Collateral consisting of inventory is, and will be, located at the locations listed on Schedule 1(c)(i) hereto, and at no other locations without the prior written consent of the Bank. (ii) All Collateral consisting of fixtures, machinery or equipment, is, and will be, located at the locations listed on Schedule 1(c)(ii) hereto, and at no other locations without the prior written consent of the Bank. If the Collateral described in clauses (i) or (ii) is kept at leased locations or warehoused, the Company has obtained appropriate landlord's lien waivers or appropriate warehousemen's notices have been sent, each satisfactory to the Bank, unless waived by the Bank.

(d) Liens, Etc. The Company will keep the Collateral free at all times from any and all liens, security interests or encumbrances other than those described in paragraph 1(a)(ii) and those consented to in writing by the Bank. The Company will not, without the prior written consent of the Bank, sell, lease, license, transfer, assign or otherwise dispose, or permit or suffer to be sold, leased, licensed, transferred, assigned or otherwise disposed, any of the Collateral, except for, prior to an event of default only (notwithstanding any other agreement), the following: inventory sold in the ordinary course of business and other assets permitted to be sold, leased, licensed, transferred, assigned or otherwise disposed under the Credit Agreement. The Bank or its attorneys may at any and all reasonable times inspect the Collateral and for such purpose may enter upon any and all premises where the Collateral is or might be kept or located.

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(e) Insurance. The Company shall keep the tangible Collateral insured at all times against loss by theft, fire and other casualties. Said insurance shall be issued by a company rated A or better by Best and shall be in amounts sufficient to protect the Bank against any and all loss or damage to the Collateral. The policy or policies which evidence said insurance shall be delivered to the Bank upon request, shall contain a lender loss payable clause in favor of the Bank, shall name the Bank as an additional insured, as its interest may appear, shall not permit amendment, cancellation or termination without giving the Bank at least 30 days prior written notice thereof, and shall otherwise be in form and substance satisfactory to the Bank. Reimbursement under any liability insurance maintained by the Company pursuant to this paragraph 1(e) may be paid directly to the person who shall have incurred liability covered by such insurance, provided that if there is no Default or Event of Default (whether before or after any event which caused any reimbursement under any liability insurance) the Company may use the proceeds of such insurance solely to repair or replace the property damaged if the insurance proceeds are less than \$50,000 and if there is any Event of Default or Default, and if such reimbursement is greater than \$50,000 or there is any Default or Event of Default such amounts shall be paid to the Bank for application to the Secured Obligations.

(f) Taxes, Etc. The Company will pay promptly, and within the time that they can be paid without interest or penalty, any taxes, assessments and similar imposts and charges, not being contested in good faith, which are now or hereafter may become a Lien upon any of the Collateral. If the Company fails to pay any such taxes, assessments or other imposts or charges in accordance with this Section, the Bank shall have the option to do so and the Company agrees to repay forthwith all amounts so expended by the Bank with interest at the Overdue Rate.

(g) Further Assurances. The Company will do all acts and things and will execute all financing statements and writings reasonably requested by the Bank to establish, maintain and continue a perfected and valid security interest of the Bank in the Collateral, and will promptly on demand pay all reasonable costs and expenses of filing and recording all instruments, including the costs of any searches deemed necessary by the Bank, to establish and determine the validity and the priority of the Bank's security interests. A carbon, photographic or other reproduction of this Security Agreement or any financing statement covering the Collateral shall be sufficient as a financing statement.

(h) List of Patents, Copyrights, Mask Works and Trademarks. Attached hereto as Schedule 1(h)(i) is a list of all patents and patent applications owned by the Company. Attached hereto as Schedule 1(h)(ii) is a list of all registered copyrights and all mask works and applications therefor owned by the Company. Attached hereto as Schedule 1(h)(iii) is a list of all trademarks and service marks owned by the Company. If the Company at any time owns any additional patents, copyrights, mask works, trademarks or any applications therefor not listed on such schedules, the Company shall give the Bank prompt written notice thereof and hereby authorizes the Bank to modify this Agreement by amending Schedules 1(h)(i), 1(h)(ii) and 1(h)(iii) to include all future patents, copyrights, mask works, trademarks and applications therefor and agrees to execute all further instruments and agreements, if any, if requested by the Bank to evidence the Bank's interest therein.

(i) Maintenance of Tangible Collateral. The Company will cause the tangible Collateral material to the conduct of its business to be maintained and preserved in the same condition, repair and working order as when new, ordinary wear and tear excepted, and in accordance with any manufacturer's manual, and shall forthwith, or, in the case of any loss or damage to any of the tangible Collateral as quickly as practicable after the occurrence thereof, make or cause to be made all repairs, replacements, and other improvements which are necessary or desirable to such end. The Company shall promptly furnish to the Bank a statement respecting any loss or damage to any of the tangible Collateral.

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. (j) Special Rights Regarding Receivables. The Bank or any of its agents may, at any time and from time to time in its sole discretion and irrespective of the existence of any event of default under this Security Agreement, verify, directly with each person (collectively, the "Obligors") which owes any Receivables to the Company, the Receivables in any reasonable manner. The Bank or any of its agents may, at any time from time to time after and during the continuance of an event of default under this Security Agreement, notify the Obligors of the security interest of the Bank in the Collateral and/or direct such account debtors that all payments in connection with such obligations and the Collateral be made directly to the Bank in the Bank's name. If the Bank or any of its agents shall collect such obligations directly from the Obligors, the Bank or any of its agents shall have the right to resolve any disputes relating to returned goods directly with the Obligors in such manner and on such terms as the Bank or any of its agents shall deem appropriate. The Company directs and authorizes any and all of its present and future account debtors to comply with requests for information from the Bank, the Bank's designees and agents and/or auditors, relating to any and all business transactions between the Company and the Obligors. The Company further directs and authorizes all of its Obligors upon receiving a notice or request sent by the Bank or the Bank's agents or designees to pay directly to the Bank any and all sums of money or proceeds now or hereafter owing by the Obligors to the Company, and any such payment shall act as a discharge of any debt of such Obligor to the Company in the same manner as if such payment had been made directly to the Company. The Company agrees to take any and all action as the Bank may reasonably request to assist the Bank in exercising the rights described in this Section.

(k) Maintenance of Intellectual Property and Other Intangible Collateral. The Company shall preserve and maintain all rights of the Company and the Bank in all material Intellectual Property and all other material intangible Collateral, including without limitation the payment of all maintenance fees, filing fees and the taking of all appropriate action at the Company's expense to halt the infringement of any of the Intellectual Property or other Collateral, provided that, with respect to halting the infringement of any Intellectual Property or other Collateral, the Company does not need to take all such appropriate action if the Company has, or after event of default the Bank has, reasonably determined that it is not in its best interest to demand or enforce cessation of such infringement or other conduct because it is either not material or because the adverse consequences to the Company would outweigh the benefits gained by such demand or enforcement.

2. Events of Default. The occurrence of any Event of Default under the Credit Agreement shall be deemed an event of default under this Security Agreement.

3. Remedies. Upon the occurrence of any event of default specified in Paragraph 2 hereof, the Bank shall have and may exercise any one or more of the rights and remedies provided to it under this Security Agreement or any of the other Operative Documents or provided by law, including but not limited to all of the rights and remedies of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code, and the Company hereby agrees to assemble the Collateral and make it available to the Bank at a place to be designated by the Bank which is reasonably convenient to both parties, authorizes the Bank to take possession of the Collateral with or without demand and in accordance with applicable law and to sell and dispose of the same at public or private sale and to apply the proceeds of such sale to the costs and expenses thereof (including reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements, incurred by the Bank) and then to the payment and satisfaction of the Secured Obligations. Any requirement of reasonable notice shall be met if the Bank sends such notice to the Company, by registered or certified mail, at least 5 days prior to the date of sale, disposition or other event giving rise to a required notice. The Bank may be the purchaser at any such sale. The Company expressly authorizes such sale or sales of the Collateral in advance of and to the exclusion of any sale or sales of or other realization upon any other collateral securing the Secured Obligations. The Bank shall have no obligation to preserve rights against prior parties. The Company hereby waives as to the Bank any right of subrogation or marshaling of such

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Collateral and any other collateral for the Secured Obligations. To this end, the Company hereby expressly agrees that any such collateral or other security of the Company or any other party which the Bank may hold, or which may come to any of the Bank's agents or any of their possession, may be dealt with in all respects and particulars as though this Security Agreement were not in existence. The parties hereto further agree that public sale of the Collateral by auction conducted in any county in which any Collateral is located or in which the Bank or the Company does business after advertisement of the time and place thereof shall, among other manners of public and private sale, be deemed to be a commercially reasonable disposition of the Collateral. The Company shall be liable for any deficiency remaining after disposition of the Collateral.

4. Special Remedies Concerning Certain Collateral.

(a) Upon the occurrence of any event of default, the Company shall, if requested to do so in writing, and to the extent so requested (i) promptly collect and enforce payment of all amounts due the Company on account of, in payment of, or in connection with, any of the Collateral, (ii) hold all payments in the form received by the Company as trustee for the Bank, without commingling with any funds belonging to the Company, and (iii) forthwith deliver all such payments to the Bank with endorsement to the Bank's order of any checks or similar instruments.

(b) Upon the occurrence of any event of default, the Company shall, if requested to do so, and to the extent so requested, notify all Obligor and other persons with obligations to the Company on account of or in connection with any of the Collateral of the security interest of the Bank in the Collateral and direct such account debtors and other persons that all payments in connection with such obligations and the Collateral be made directly to the Bank. The Bank itself may, upon the occurrence of an event of default, so notify and direct any such account debtor or other person that such payments are to be made directly to the Bank.

(c) Upon the maturity (whether at stated maturity, by acceleration or otherwise) of the Secured Obligations, the occurrence of an event of default and the exercise of rights and remedies under this Security Agreement by the Bank, for purposes of assisting the Bank in exercising its rights and remedies provided to it under this Security Agreement, the Company (i) hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints the Bank its true and lawful attorney, for and in the Company's name, place and stead, to collect, demand, receive, sue for, compromise, and give good and sufficient releases for, any monies due or to become due on account of, in payment of, or in connection with the Collateral, (ii) hereby irrevocably authorizes the Bank to endorse the name of the Company, upon any checks, drafts, or similar items which are received in payment of, or in connection with, any of the Collateral, and to do all things necessary in order to reduce the same to money, (iii) with respect to any Collateral, hereby irrevocably assents to all extensions or postponements of the time of payment thereof or any other indulgence in connection therewith, to each substitution, exchange or release of Collateral, to the addition or release of any party primarily or secondarily liable, to the acceptance of partial payments thereon and the settlement, compromise or adjustment (including adjustment of insurance payments) thereof, all in such manner and at such time or times as the Bank shall deem advisable and (iv) hereby irrevocably authorizes the Bank to notify the post office authorities to change the address for delivery of the Company's mail to an address designated by the Bank, and the Bank may receive, open and dispose of all mail addressed to the Company. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Security Agreement, it is expressly understood and agreed that the Bank shall have no duty, and shall not be obligated in any manner, to make any demand or to make any inquiry as to the nature or sufficiency of any payments received by it or to present or file any claim or take any other action to collect or enforce the payment of any amounts due or to become due on account of or in connection with any of the Collateral.

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5. Remedies Cumulative. No right or remedy conferred upon or reserved to the Bank under any Operative Document is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall be cumulative in addition to every other right or remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing under any applicable law. Every right and remedy of the Bank under any Operative Document or under applicable law may be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient by the Bank. To the extent that it lawfully may, the Company agrees that it will not at any time insist upon, plead, or in any manner whatever claim or take any benefit or advantage of any applicable present or future stay, extension or moratorium law, which may affect observance or performance of any provisions of any Operative Document; nor will it claim, take or insist upon any benefit or advantage of any present or future law providing for the valuation or appraisal of any security for its obligations under any Operative Document prior to any sale or sales thereof which may be made under or by virtue of any instrument governing the same; nor will the Company, after any such sale or sales, claim or exercise any right, under any applicable law to redeem any portion of such security so sold.

6. Conduct No Waiver. No waiver of default shall be effective unless in writing executed by the Bank and waiver of any default or forbearance on the part of the Bank in enforcing any of its rights under this Security Agreement shall not operate as a waiver of any other default or of the same default on a future occasion or of such right.

7. Governing Law; Consent to Jurisdiction; Definitions. This Security Agreement is a contract made under, and shall be governed by and construed in accordance with, the law of the State of Michigan applicable to contracts made and to be performed entirely within such State and without giving effect to choice of law principles of such State. The Company agrees that any legal action or proceeding with respect to this Security Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby may be brought in any court of the State of Michigan, or in any court of the United States of America sitting in Michigan, and the Company hereby submits to and accepts generally and unconditionally the jurisdiction of those courts with respect to its person and property, and irrevocably appoints its President, at the Company's address set forth in the Credit Agreement, as its Bank for service of process and irrevocably consents to the service of process in connection with any such action or proceeding by personal delivery to such Bank or to the Company or by the mailing thereof by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid to the Company at its address set forth in the Credit Agreement. Nothing in this paragraph shall affect the right of the Bank to serve process in any other manner permitted by law or limit the right of the Bank to bring any such action or proceeding against the Company or its property in the courts of any other jurisdiction. The Company hereby irrevocably waives any objection to the laying of venue of any such suit or proceeding in the above described courts. Terms used but not defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed thereto in the Credit Agreement. Unless otherwise defined herein or in the Credit Agreement, terms used in Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code in the State of Michigan are used herein as therein defined on the date hereof. The headings of the various subdivisions hereof are for convenience of reference only and shall in no way modify any of the terms or provisions hereof.

8. Notices. All notices, demands, requests, consents and other communications hereunder shall be delivered in the manner described in the Credit Agreement.

9. Rights Not Construed as Duties. The Bank neither assumes nor shall it have any duty of performance or other responsibility under any contracts in which the Bank has or obtains a security interest hereunder. If the Company fails to perform any agreement contained herein, the Bank may but is in no way obligated to itself perform, or cause performance of, such agreement, and the reasonable expenses of the Bank incurred in connection therewith shall be payable by the Company under paragraph 12. The powers conferred on the Bank hereunder are solely to protect its interests in the Collateral and shall not impose any duty upon it to exercise any such powers. Except for the safe custody of any

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Collateral in its possession and accounting for monies actually received by it hereunder, the Bank shall have no duty as to any Collateral or as to the taking of any necessary steps to preserve rights against prior parties or any other rights pertaining to any Collateral.

10. Amendments. None of the terms and provisions of this Security Agreement may be modified or amended in any way except by an instrument in writing executed by each of the parties hereto.

11. Severability. If any one or more provisions of this Security Agreement should be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein shall not in any way be affected, impaired or prejudiced thereby.

12. Expenses. (a) The Company agrees to indemnify the Bank from and against any and all claims, losses and liabilities growing out of or resulting from this Security Agreement (including, without limitation, enforcement of this Security Agreement), except claims, losses or liabilities resulting from the Bank's gross negligence or willful misconduct.

(b) The Company will, upon demand, pay to the Bank an amount of any and all reasonable expenses, including the reasonable fees and disbursements of its counsel and of any experts and agents of the Bank, which the Bank may incur in connection with (i) the administration of this Security Agreement, (ii) the custody, preservation, use or operation of, or the sale of, collection from or other realization upon, any of the Collateral, (iii) the exercise or enforcement of any of the rights of the Bank hereunder or under the Operative Documents, or (iv) the failure of the Company to perform or observe any of the provisions hereof.

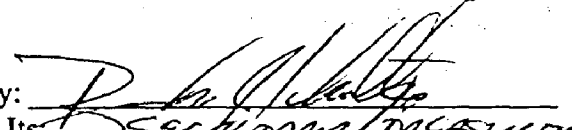
13. Successors and Assigns: Termination. This Security Agreement shall create a continuing security interest in the Collateral and shall be binding upon the Company, its successors and assigns, and inure, together with the rights and remedies of the Bank hereunder, to the benefit of the Bank and its successors, transferees and assigns. Upon the payment in full in immediately available funds of all of the Secured Obligations and the termination of all commitments to lend and letters of credit outstanding under the Operative Documents, the security interest granted hereunder shall terminate and all rights to the Collateral shall revert to the Company.

14. Waiver of Jury Trial. The Bank, in accepting this Security Agreement, and the Company, after consulting or having had the opportunity to consult with counsel, knowingly, voluntarily and intentionally waive any right any of them may have to a trial by jury in any litigation based upon or arising out of this Security Agreement or any related instrument or agreement or any of the transactions contemplated by this Security Agreement or any course of conduct, dealing, statements (whether oral or written) or actions of any of them. Neither the Bank nor the Company shall seek to consolidate, by counterclaim or otherwise, any such action in which a jury trial has been waived with any other action in which a jury trial cannot be or has not been waived. These provisions shall not be deemed to have been modified in any respect or relinquished by either the Bank or the Company except by a written instrument executed by all of them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this Security Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first set forth above.

SPARTAN CORPORATION, INC.

By:


Its: SECRETARY/TREASURER

Accepted and Agreed:

NBD BANK

By:

Thomas A. Mullen

Its:

VICE PRESIDENT

DETROIT 7-3093 393850

SECURITY AGREEMENT

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SCHEDULE 1(b)(i) TO SECURITY AGREEMENT

List of Chief Executive Office and Tax ID Number

Chief Executive
Office Address

Tax ID#

1000 Reynolds Road
Charlotte, Michigan 48813

38-2078923

SCHEDULE 1(b)(ii) TO SECURITY AGREEMENT

List of Other Office and Facility Locations

**1165 Reynolds Road
Charlotte, Michigan**

**Manufacturing, Sales
and Marketing**

**1580 Mikesell Street
Charlotte, Michigan**

**Engineering and
Manufacturing**

**1549 Mikesell Street
Charlotte, Michigan**

**Manufacturing, Receiving, Service
Parts, Customer Service, Research &
Development and Warehousing**

SCHEDULE 1(c)(i) TO SECURITY AGREEMENT

List of Inventory Locations

**1165 Reynolds Road
Charlotte, Michigan**

**Manufacturing, Sales
and Marketing**

**1580 Mikesell Street
Charlotte, Michigan**

**Engineering and
Manufacturing**

**1549 Mikesell Street
Charlotte, Michigan**

**Manufacturing, Receiving, Service
Parts, Customer Service, Research &
Development and Warehousing**

SCHEDULE (1)(c)(ii) TO SECURITY
AGREEMENT

List of Machinery and Equipment Locations

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Charlotte, Michigan**

**Manufacturing, Sales
and Marketing**

**1580 Mikesell Street
Charlotte, Michigan**

**Engineering and
Manufacturing**

**1549 Mikesell Street
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Schedules 1(h)(i), 1(h)(ii) and 1(h)(iii)

SPARTAN MOTORS, INC.TRADEMARKS

Trademark	Country	Application or Registration #	Int'l Class	Application or Filing Date	Status	Ext. Req	Extension / St. O' Use	8 + 15	Renewal
Alpine	United States	74/631034	12	02/07/95	<i>Abandoned</i> 03/18/98				
Customer First	United States	74/489231	36,37 39,42	02/14/94	<i>Opposition suspended</i>	14			
K-2	United States	74/631032	12	02/07/95	<i>Abandoned</i> 04/24/98				
Spartan	Australia	745813	12	10/08/97	<i>Pending</i>				
Spartan & Design	Australia	745812	12	10/08/97	<i>Pending</i>				
Spartan & Design	Mexico	436937	12	10/09/92	<i>Registered</i> 07/07/93				10/09/02
Spartan	New Zealand	283245	12	10/08/97	<i>Registered</i> 09/15/98				10/08/04
Spartan & Design	New Zealand	283246	12	10/08/97	<i>Registered</i> 09/08/98				10/08/04
Spartan	Papua New Guinea	A60642	12	10/13/97	<i>Registered</i> 10/13/97				10/13/07
Spartan & Design	Papua New Guinea	A60643	12	10/13/97	<i>Registered</i> 10/13/97				10/13/07
Spartan	Philippines	4/1998/01923	12	03/18/98	<i>Pending</i>				
Spartan & Design	Philippines	4/1998/01160	12	02/19/98	<i>Pending</i>				
Spartan	South Africa	09818795	12	10/22/98	<i>Pending</i>				

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Trademark	Country	Application or Registration #	Int'l Class	Application or Filing Date	Status	Ext Req	Extension / St. O' Use	8 + 15	Renewal
Spartan & Design	South Africa	09818794	12	10/22/98	Pending				
Spartan	Taiwan	86/63533	12	12/16/97	Pending				
Spartan & Design	Taiwan	86/63534	12	12/16/97	Pending				
Spartan & Design	Tunisia	EE94.0250	12	03/10/94	Registered 03/10/94				03/10/09
Spartan & Design	Unites States	1788064	12	06/15/92	Registered 08/17/93			filed 02/24/99	08/17/03
Travel With Your Best Friend: Customer First	United States	1927111	36,37 39,42	02/14/92	Registered 10/17/95			10/17/00 -01	10/17/05

PATENTS

Patent	Country	Application or Registration #	Application or Filing Date	Office Action	Issue Date
Integrated Superstructure Chassis	United States	08/680455	07/15/96		01/26/99
Independent Suspension Cradle	United States	08/954695	10/20/97	Pending	Pending