

NIHART CHARLES E  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NIHART CHARLES E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SPARTAN MOTORS INC  
[("SPAR")]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/01/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O SPARTAN MOTORS  
INC, 1000 REYNOLDS ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CHARLOTTE, MI 48813

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	05/01/2009		M		7,875 A \$ 2.55	53,129	D
Common Stock	05/01/2009		S		7,875 D \$ 8.25	45,524	D
Common Stock	05/04/2009		M		7,875 A \$ 1.94	53,129	D
Common Stock	05/04/2009		S		7,875 D \$ 8.75	45,524	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.55	05/01/2009		M	7,875	06/30/1999 06/29/2009	Common Stock	7,875
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.99	05/04/2009		M	7,875	12/31/1999 12/30/2009	Common Stock	7,875

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NIHART CHARLES E C/O SPARTAN MOTORS INC 1000 REYNOLDS ROAD CHARLOTTE, MI 48813		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Daniel C. Persinger, By Power of Attorney 05/04/2009

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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