FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* DAUCH RICHARD F		. Date of Event Requiring Staten Month/Day/Year	nent	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PARTAN MOTORS INC [SPAR]						
(Last) (First) (Middle)		02/16/2010		4. Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)		, ,	(Mc	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
C/O SPARTAN MOTORS I 1000 REYNOLDS ROAD (Street) CHARLOTTE MI (City) (State)	48813 (Zip)			X Director Officer (giv	e title	10% Owne Other (spe below)	cify Ap	olicable Line) Form filed b Person	t/Group Filing (Check y One Reporting y More than One terson	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				Amount of Securi	(Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock				0		D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Expiration Date Exercisable Date Exercisable Date Exercisable Date		te	3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur 4)			4. Conversion or	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Kimberly A. Baber, as Attorney in Fact for Richard F. 02/23/2010 **Dauch**

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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