

SPARTAN STORES INC

Form 3

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response... 0.5**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Hartline Alan R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW

(Street)

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

10/15/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SPARTAN STORES INC [SPTN]4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner☒ Officer ☐ Other

(give title below) (specify below)

Exec. VP Merchan. & Marketing

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person☐ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)Common Stock ⁽¹⁾

30,443

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

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currently valid OMB control number.****Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)Date
ExercisableExpiration
Date3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

Title

Amount or
Number of4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative
Security5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:
Direct (D)
or Indirect6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Phantom Stock	Â ⁽²⁾	Â ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	170.293	\$ ⁽²⁾	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/07/2004	05/06/2013	Common Stock	1,250	\$ 2.29	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/07/2005	05/06/2013	Common Stock	1,250	\$ 2.29	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/07/2006	05/06/2013	Common Stock	1,250	\$ 2.29	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/07/2007	05/06/2013	Common Stock	1,250	\$ 2.29	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/12/2005	05/11/2014	Common Stock	781	\$ 3.25	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/12/2006	05/11/2014	Common Stock	781	\$ 3.25	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/12/2007	05/11/2014	Common Stock	781	\$ 3.25	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/12/2008	05/11/2014	Common Stock	782	\$ 3.25	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/11/2006	05/10/2015	Common Stock	750	\$ 11.5	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/11/2007	05/10/2015	Common Stock	750	\$ 11.5	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/11/2008	05/10/2015	Common Stock	750	\$ 11.5	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/11/2009	05/10/2015	Common Stock	750	\$ 11.5	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/10/2007	05/09/2016	Common Stock	1,500	\$ 13.7	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/10/2008	05/09/2016	Common Stock	1,500	\$ 13.7	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/10/2009	05/09/2016	Common Stock	1,500	\$ 13.7	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/10/2010	05/09/2016	Common Stock	1,500	\$ 13.7	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/18/2008	05/17/2017	Common Stock	1,050	\$ 28.28	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/18/2009	05/17/2017	Common Stock	1,050	\$ 28.28	D	Â
	05/18/2010	05/17/2017		1,050	\$ 28.28	D	Â

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)			Common Stock				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/18/2011	05/17/2017	Common Stock	1,050	\$ 28.28	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/16/2009	05/15/2018	Common Stock	2,750	\$ 22.69	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/16/2010	05/15/2018	Common Stock	2,750	\$ 22.69	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/16/2011	05/15/2018	Common Stock	2,750	\$ 22.69	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/11/2012	05/15/2018	Common Stock	2,750	\$ 22.69	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				Other
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		
Hartline Alan R C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518	Â	Â	Â Exec. VP Merchan. & Marketing		Â

Signatures

/s/ Daniel C. Persinger, By Power of Attorney 10/17/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) On October 15, 2008 the Spartan Stores, Inc. Board of Directors determined that Mr. Hartline is an "officer" for the purposes of Rule 16a-1(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(2) Represents shares of "phantom stock" issued pursuant to the Spartan Stores, Inc. Supplemental Executive Savings Plan ("Plan"). Shares of phantom stock are issued on a one-for-one basis and are payable in cash in accordance with the Plan.

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