

VAN HALL THOMAS A
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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 *
VAN HALL THOMAS A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SPARTAN STORES INC [SPTN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/12/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice President Finance

(Street)
GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock					43,876	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	12/12/2012		S	5,000	D \$ 15.33	16,335	I By spouse's trust

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu... Deriv... Secur... Bene... Own... Follo... Repo... Trans... (Instr...
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
VAN HALL THOMAS A C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518			Vice President Finance	

Signatures

/s/ Daniel C. Persinger, By Power of Attorney
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 Date 12/13/2012

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).
 Represents the aggregate number of shares sold at a weighted average price of \$15.33. The actual sales prices ranged from \$15.25 to \$15.47. Details regarding aggregated sales transactions will be provided upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.
- (2) This transaction was executed as part of a pre-arranged trading plan pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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