

SPARTAN STORES INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
VAN HALL THOMAS A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O 850 - 76TH STREET SW

(Street)

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49518

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/05/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Vice President Finance

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	11/05/2008		M	8,428 A \$ 10.25	51,631	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2008		M	6,250 A \$ 2.29	57,881	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2008		M	1,563 A \$ 3.25	59,444	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2008		M	2,250 A \$ 11.5	61,694	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2008		M	3,000 A \$ 13.7	64,694	D	

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Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/05/2008	S	21,258	D	\$ 25.75	43,436	D	
Common Stock						9,000	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. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.25	11/05/2008		M	214	05/09/2003 05/09/2011		Common Stock	214
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.25	11/05/2008		M	4,107	05/09/2004 05/09/2011		Common Stock	4,107
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.25	11/05/2008		M	4,107	05/09/2005 05/09/2011		Common Stock	4,107
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.29	11/05/2008		M	6,250	05/07/2007 05/07/2013		Common Stock	6,250
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.25	11/05/2008		M	781	05/12/2007 05/11/2014		Common Stock	781

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.25	11/05/2008	M	782	05/12/2008	05/11/2014	Common Stock	782
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.5	11/05/2008	M	750	05/11/2006	05/11/2015	Common Stock	750
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.5	11/05/2008	M	750	05/11/2007	05/11/2015	Common Stock	750
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.5	11/05/2008	M	750	05/11/2008	05/11/2015	Common Stock	750
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.7	11/05/2008	M	1,500	05/10/2007	05/10/2016	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.7	11/05/2008	M	1,500	05/10/2008	05/10/2016	Common Stock	1,500

## 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  
11/07/2008  
\*\*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).

(1) Represents the aggregate number of shares sold at a weighted average price of \$25.75. The actual sales prices ranged from \$25.51 to \$25.99. Details regarding aggregated sales transactions will be provided upon request.

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