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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREOWNERS

To Our Shareowners:

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Shareowners of Sparton Corporation will be held at the Walter F. Ehrnfelt Recreation & Senior Complex, 18100 Royalton Road, Strongsville, Ohio, on Wednesday, October 25, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., Local Time, for the following purposes:

- (1) To elect three directors each for a term of three years as set forth in the Proxy Statement.
- (2) Ratification of the appointment of the independent auditors for the Company.
- (3) To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or at any adjournments thereof. Only holders of Common Stock of record at the close of business on September 15, 2006, are entitled to notice of and to vote at the meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors JOSEPH S. LERCZAK Secretary Jackson, Michigan September 28, 2006

IMPORTANT

ALL SHAREOWNERS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE MEETING. WHETHER OR NOT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND IN PERSON, YOU ARE URGED TO SIGN AND DATE THE ENCLOSED PROXY AND RETURN IT PROMPTLY IN THE ENVELOPE PROVIDED, OR USE OUR TELEPHONE OR INTERNET VOTING SYSTEM AS PROMPTLY AS POSSIBLE. THIS WILL ASSURE YOUR REPRESENTATION AND A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS AT THE MEETING. IF YOU ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON, THE PROXY WILL NOT BE USED IF YOU SO REQUEST BY REVOKING IT AS DESCRIBED IN THE PROXY STATEMENT.

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SPARTON CORPORATION

2400 East Ganson Street Jackson, Michigan 49202

PROXY STATEMENT

For the Annual Meeting of Shareowners to be held on October 25, 2006 SOLICITATION

This Proxy Statement is furnished in connection with the solicitation by the Board of Directors of SPARTON CORPORATION, an Ohio corporation (the Company), of proxies for use at the 2006 Annual Meeting of Shareowners of the Company (the Annual Meeting) to be held at the Walter F. Ehrnfelt Recreation & Senior Complex, 18100 Royalton Road, Strongsville, Ohio, on Wednesday, October 25, 2006, at 10:00 a.m., Local Time, and at any and all adjournments thereof. The cost of solicitation will be paid by the Company. The Company has retained Morrow & Company, Inc. to assist in the solicitation of proxies at an estimated cost of \$7,500, plus expenses, which will be paid by the Company. In addition, officers and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries may solicit proxies personally, by telephone, facsimile or other means, without additional compensation. This Proxy Statement and the form of Proxy are expected to be mailed to shareowners the week of September 25, 2006.

At the meeting, the Company s shareowners will act upon two proposals. The first proposal is the election of three directors, each to serve for a three-year term until the annual meeting held in the year 2009 or until their successors are qualified and elected. The second proposal is the ratification of the appointment of independent auditors. Both proposals are described in more detail in this Proxy Statement.

OUTSTANDING STOCK AND VOTING RIGHTS

In accordance with the Code of Regulations of the Company, the Board of Directors has fixed the close of business on September 15, 2006, as the record date for determination of shareowners entitled to notice of, and to vote at, the Annual Meeting. Only shareowners of record on that date will be entitled to vote. As of September 15, 2006, the record date for the Annual Meeting, the Company had outstanding 9,384,221 shares of Common Stock, each entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. Votes cast at the meeting and votes submitted by proxy are counted by the inspectors of the election, who are appointed by the Company.

Voting by Proxy

If a shareowner is a corporation or partnership, the accompanying proxy card should be signed in the full corporate or partnership name by a duly authorized person. If the proxy card is signed pursuant to a power of attorney or by an executor, administrator, trustee or guardian, the signer s full title should be given and a certificate or other evidence of appointment should be furnished.

You can vote in one of four ways. You can vote by mail, you can authorize the voting of your shares over the Internet, you can authorize the voting of your shares by telephone or you can vote in person at the Annual Meeting. If you choose to vote by mail, you may vote by completing and signing the proxy card that accompanies this Proxy Statement and promptly mailing it in the enclosed postage-prepaid envelope. You do not need to put a stamp on the enclosed envelope if you mail it in the United States. The shares you own will be voted according to the instructions on the proxy card you

mail. If you return the proxy card, but do not give any instructions on a particular matter described in this Proxy Statement, the shares you own will be voted in accordance with the recommendations of the Company s Board of Directors. If you choose to vote by mail, your duly signed proxy card must be received by 11:59 p.m., Central Standard Time, on October 24, 2006.

If you choose to vote by telephone or the Internet, instructions for a shareowner of record to vote by telephone or the Internet are set forth on the enclosed proxy card. The telephone and Internet voting procedures are designed to authenticate votes cast by use of a personal identification number that appears on the proxy card. These procedures, which comply with Ohio law, allow shareowners to appoint a proxy to vote their shares and to confirm that their instructions have been properly recorded. If you vote by telephone or the Internet, you do not have to mail in your proxy card, but your vote must be received by 11:59 p.m. Central Standard Time on October 23, 2006. Morrow & Company, Inc. may solicit your proxy up to the date and time of the meeting.

If you participate in the Company s 401(k) Plan and hold shares in your plan account, you may give voting instructions as to the number of shares credited to your account as of the record date. Only the trustee of the 401(k) Plan may vote your plan shares. You may provide voting instructions to the plan trustee through any of the voting methods described above, except that you may not vote your plan shares in person at the Annual Meeting. Your voting instructions must be received before 11:59 p.m. Central Standard Time on October 23, 2006.

If you are not the record holder of the shares you own because they are held in street name by a bank or brokerage firm, your bank or brokerage firm is required to vote your shares according to your instructions. In order to vote your shares, you will need to follow the directions your bank or brokerage firm provides you. Many banks and brokerage firms also offer the option of voting over the Internet or by telephone, instructions for which would be provided by your bank or brokerage firm on your vote instruction form. Under the rules of the New York Stock Exchange, if you do not give instructions to your bank or brokerage firm, it will still be able to vote your shares with respect to certain discretionary items, but it will not be allowed to vote your shares with respect to certain non-discretionary items. In the case of non-discretionary items, for which no instructions are received, the shares will be treated as broker non-votes .

Any proxy duly given pursuant to this solicitation may be revoked by the shareowner, at any time prior to voting, by written notice to the Secretary of the Company, by a later-dated proxy either signed and returned by mail or transmitted using the telephone or Internet voting procedures before the Annual Meeting, or by attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person. Attendance at the Annual Meeting will not in and of itself constitute a revocation of a proxy. Participants in the Company s 401(k) Plan who hold shares in their plan account and desire to revoke their voting instructions must do so before 11:59 p.m. Central Standard Time on October 23, 2006.

Principal Shareowners

As of August 28, 2006, the persons named in the following table were known by management to be the beneficial owners of more than 5% of the Company s outstanding Common Stock:

| Name and Address of Beneficial Owner | Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership | Percent of Class |
|---|---|---------------------|
| Bradley O. Smith 6043 N. Gatehouse, SE Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546 | 1,244,723(1) | 13.3% |
| John J. Smith Trust 6043 N. Gatehouse, SE Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546 | 1,032,184(2) | 11.0 |
| Lawndale Capital Management, Inc. 591 Redwood Highway, Suite 2345 Mill Valley, California 94941 | 712,960(3) | 7.6 |
| Judith A. Sare 4302 Channel Drive Akron, Ohio 44319 | 555,218(4) | 5.9 |
| Dimensional Fund Advisors, Inc. 1299 Ocean Avenue, 11th Fl. Santa Monica, California 90401 | 552,697(5) | 5.9 |

(1) Includes 697,265 shares

owned

individually by

Mr. Bradley O.

Smith and

217,797 shares

owned by

Mr. Smith

jointly with his

wife, Sharon A.

Smith. Also

includes

316,185 shares

held by the

Lawson and

Margaret Smith Irrevocable Trust, of which Mr. Smith is a beneficiary, and has sole voting and investment power and 13,476 shares owned by Mr. Smith s wife, Sharon A. Smith. Does not include 42,553 shares which Mr. Smith has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days, or the 1,032,184 shares owned by the John J. Smith Trust, discussed below, the voting and investment powers for which are shared by Mr. Smith as a co-trustee. Mr. Smith has served as a director of Sparton Corporation

(2) Bradley O. Smith is a co-trustee and a beneficiary of the John J. Smith Trust and shares voting and investment power over the shares held by

since 1998.

the trust.

(3) According to information in the Form 13D/A Report filed as of October 21, 2004, by Lawndale Capital Management, LLC (Lawndale), a registered investment advisor, Andrew E. Shapiro, the sole manager of Lawndale, and Diamond A. Partners, L.P., a fund managed by Lawndale, is deemed to have beneficial ownership of 712,960 shares of common stock, which has been adjusted to include stock issued pursuant to the 5% common stock dividends distributed on December 15, 2004 and January 13, 2006. Does not include the 1,214 shares owned by Mr. Shapiro, also adjusted for the 5% common stock dividends. The 7.6% of class is based on Lawndale s reporting of

shares, as adjusted for stock dividends, held at October 21, 2004, and shares outstanding as of August 28, 2006.

(4) According to information in the Form 13G Report dated as of August 4, 2004, by Judith A. Sare, Mrs. Sare is deemed to have beneficial ownership of 555,218 shares of common stock, adjusted to reflect the 5% common stock dividend distributed on December 15, 2004 and January 13, 2006. This includes 407,818 shares owned individually by Mrs. Sare and 147,400 shares owned by Mrs. Sare and/or her husband Paul W. Sare. Judith A. Sare is the sister of Bradley O. Smith. The 5.9% of class is based on Mrs. Sare s reporting of shares, as adjusted for stock dividends, and shares outstanding as of August 28,

2006.

Shares

presented are

according to

information

included in the

Form 13G/A

Report filed as

of December 31,

2005, by

Dimensional

Fund Advisors

Inc.

(Dimensional),

a registered

investment

advisor.

Dimensional is

deemed to have

beneficial

ownership of

552,697 shares

of common

stock, all of

which shares are

held in

portfolios of

DFA Investment

Dimensions

Group Inc., a

registered

open-end

investment

company, or in

series of the

DFA Investment

Trust Company,

a Delaware

business trust,

or the DFA

Group Trust and

DFA

Participation

Group Trust,

investment

vehicles for

qualified

employee

benefit plans, to

all of which

Dimensional

Fund Advisors

Inc. serves as investment manager. Dimensional possesses sole voting and investment power over all such shares. Dimensional disclaims beneficial ownership of all such shares. The 5.9% of class is based on Dimensional s reporting of shares held at December 31, 2005 adjusted to reflect the 5% common stock dividends distributed on January 13, 2006, and shares outstanding as of August 28, 2006.

Security Ownership of Management

As of August 28, 2006, the following table shows the shares of the Company s Common Stock beneficially owned (except as noted) by the Named Executives identified in the Compensation Table shown later in this Proxy Statement and all executive officers and directors of the Company as a group:

| | Amount and Nature of Beneficial | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Name of Beneficial Ownership | Ownership | Percent of Class (7) |
| David W. Hockenbrocht | 570,116(1) | 5.9% |
| Douglas E. Johnson | 61,929(2) | * |
| Richard L. Langley | 99,688(3) | 1.0 |
| Charles A. Stranko | 11,853(4) | * |
| Michael G. Woods | 22,292(5) | * |

All Executive Officers and Directors

3,146,522(6)

32.5%

- * denotes a percentage of less than 1%
- (1) Includes 99,019 shares, which Mr. Hockenbrocht has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days. The amount also includes 387,866 shares held by one of the Company s retirement plans, as to which Mr. Hockenbrocht holds voting and investment power in his capacity as Chief Executive Officer of the Company. Although Mr. Hockenbrocht is a participant in the plan, he disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the plan. Finally, 3,804 shares are included which are held in his name by the Company s 401(k) plan.
- (2) Includes 42,130 shares, which Mr. Johnson has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days. Also includes 2,768 shares, which are

held in the Company s 401(k) plan.

- (3) Includes 36,920 shares, which Mr. Langley has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days. Also includes 2,358 shares, which are held in the Company s 401(k) plan.
- (4) Includes 9,986 shares, which Mr. Stranko has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days. Also includes 1,867 shares, which are held in the Company s 401(k) plan.
- (5) Includes 14,338 shares, which Mr. Woods has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days.
- (6) Includes
 283,225 shares
 under options
 held by all
 executive
 officers and
 directors
 exercisable
 within 60 days,
 13,888 shares

which are held in the Company s 401(k) plan, and 1,032,184 shares held by the John J. Smith Trust of which Bradley O. Smith is co-trustee. Mr. Smith shares voting and investment power over the shares held by the trust.

(7) Calculation is based on total shares outstanding plus the shares subject to options exercisable within 60 days as described in this Proxy

Statement.

The following table gives information about the Company s Common Stock that may be issued upon the exercise of options, warrants and rights under all of the Company s equity compensation plans as of June 30, 2006:

| | Number of Securities | W.'-1.4.1 | Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under | |
|--|--|-----------|---|--|
| | to be issued upon Weighted-average exercise of exercise price outstanding of options, warrants and options, warrants and | | equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column | |
| Plan Category | rights | rights | (a)) | |
| | (a) | (b) | (c) | |
| Equity compensation plans approved by security holders | 517,070 | \$ 7.02 | 164,484 | |

Equity compensation plans not approved by security holders

Any Proxy given pursuant to this solicitation may be revoked by the person giving it at any time before it is voted. Proxies may be revoked by (i) filing a written notice of revocation with the Chairman or Secretary of the Company, at or before the Annual Meeting, (ii) duly executing a subsequent proxy relating to the same shares and delivering it to the Chairman or Secretary of the Company at or before the Annual Meeting or (iii) attending the Annual Meeting and voting in person with adequate notification (although attendance at the Annual Meeting will not in and of itself constitute a revocation of a proxy). Unless revoked, the shares represented by the enclosed Proxy will be voted at the meeting in accordance with any specification made thereon, if the Proxy is returned properly executed and delivered in time for voting. Unless otherwise specified, the Proxy will be voted FOR the election of the three director nominees.

Management does not intend to present, and does not know of anyone who intends to present, any matters at the meeting to be acted upon by the shareowners not referred to in the Notice and this Proxy Statement. If any other matters should properly come before the meeting, it is the intention of the persons named in the Proxy to vote in accordance with their judgment on such matters.

PROPOSAL 1 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The following directors, whose terms of office expire at the Annual Meeting, Messrs. James N. DeBoer, David W. Hockenbrocht, and James D. Fast are nominees for election to a three (3) year term expiring in 2009. The following portion of this Proxy Statement contains additional information about these nominees.

A plurality of the votes cast at the meeting is required to elect the nominees as directors of the Company. As such, the three individuals who receive the greatest number of votes cast by the holders of Common Stock will be elected as directors. Shares not voted at the Annual Meeting, whether by abstention, broker non-vote, or otherwise, will not be treated as votes cast at the meeting.

It is believed that all three nominees are, and will be at the time of the Annual Meeting, available for election; and, if elected, will serve. However, in the event one or more of them is or should become unavailable, or should decline to serve, it is intended that the proxies will be voted for the balance of the nominees and for such substitute nominee or nominees as the proxy holders may in their discretion select.

Board Recommendations

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the election of each of the three nominees, Messrs. James N. DeBoer, David W. Hockenbrocht, and James D. Fast. Unless otherwise directed by marking the accompanying proxy, the proxy holders named therein will vote FOR the election of the three nominees.

In the following table, the column Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership relates to common shares of the Company beneficially owned by the directors and nominees as of August 28, 2006, and is based upon information furnished by them.

| Name and Principal Occupation (1) | Age | Has Served as a Director Since | Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership | % of Class |
|---|-----|---|---|------------|
| Nominees for Election as Directors for Term Expiring in 2009 | | | | |
| James N. DeBoer - Of Counsel, as of January 2006, previously Partner, with the law firm of Varnum, Riddering, Schmidt & Howlett, LLP, Grand Rapids, Michigan. | 81 | 1971 | 9,921(3) | * |
| <u>David W. Hockenbrocht</u> - Chief Executive Officer and President of Sparton Corporation, Jackson, Michigan. | 71 | 1978 | 570,116(4) | 5.9% |
| | 58 | 2001 | 6,069(5) | * |

<u>James D. Fast</u> - Chief Executive Officer and President of Ionia County National Bank, Ionia, Michigan.

 \ast denotes a percentage of less than 1%.

| | | Has Served as a Director | Amount and Nature of Beneficial Ownership | % of Class |
|--|-----|--------------------------------|---|------------|
| Name and Principal Occupation (1) | Age | Since | (2) | (2) |
| Directors Whose Term Expires in 2007 | | | | |
| David P. Molfenter - Retired since August 2000, formerly Vice President Command, Control, Communication and Information Systems Segment, Raytheon Systems Company, a high technology company specializing in defense electronics, Fort Wayne, Indiana; December 1997-August 2000. Vice President and General Manager Hughes Aircraft, a defense electronics contractor, December 1995-December 1997. | 61 | 2000 | 5,826(6) | * |
| <u>W. Peter Slusser</u> - President, Slusser Associates, Inc., Investment Banking, New York, New York. | 77 | 1997 | 5,826(7) | * |
| Bradley O. Smith - Chairman of the Board, Sparton Corporation, Jackson, Michigan since October 2000. Private Investor since May 1998. For the preceding 24 years, owner and President of Tracy Products, Inc., an automotive metal stamping company, Ionia, Michigan. | 61 | 1998 | 1,287,276(8) | 13.3% |
| Directors Whose Terms Expire in 2008 | | | | |
| | 81 | 2002 | 4,003(9) | * |

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Richard J. Johns, M.D. -

Distinguished Service Professor, Emeritus, since September 2005, previously Professor and Director of Biomedical Engineering, Professor of Medicine, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine since 1991. Dr. Johns is also a Physician on staff at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

| Richard L. Langley - Chief Financial | 61 | 2001 | 99,688(10) |
|--------------------------------------|----|------|------------|
| Officer, Senior Vice President and | | | |
| Treasurer of Sparton Corporation, | | | |
| Jackson, Michigan. | | | |
| | | | |

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<u>William I. Noecker</u> - Chairman of Brasco International Inc., an aluminum fabricator, Detroit, Michigan.

- * denotes a percentage of less than 1%.
- (1) Except as noted, the principal occupations referred to have been held by the foregoing nominees and directors for at least five years.
- (2) Unless
 otherwise
 indicated by
 footnote, each
 director or
 nominee has
 sole voting
 power and owns
 the shares
 directly, or
 shares voting
 and investment
 power with his
 spouse or other

1.0

4,612(11)

family members under joint ownership.

- (3) Includes 4,612 shares, which Mr. DeBoer has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days.
- (4) Reference is made to note (1) under the heading Security Ownership of Management on page 4.
- (5) Includes 4,612 shares, which Mr. James Fast has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days Mr. Fast is a director of ICNB Financial Corporation. ICNB Financial Corporation is the holding corporation for Ionia County National Bank.
- (6) Includes 4,612 shares, which Mr. Molfenter has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days.
- (7) Includes 4,612 shares, which Mr. Slusser has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days.
 Mr. Slusser is a

director of Ampex Corporation, a manufacturer of high performance digital storage equipment and patent licensing and Unigene Laboratories, Inc, biopharmaceutical company engaged in research, innovation and delivery of small proteins for medical purposes.

- (8) Reference is made to note (1) under the heading Principal Shareowners on page 3. Includes 42,553 shares, which Mr. Smith has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days.
- (9) Includes 3,107 shares, which Dr. Johns has the right to acquire pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days.
- (10) Reference is made to note (3) under the heading Security Ownership of Management on page 5.
- (11) Includes 4,612 shares, which Mr. Noecker has the right to acquire

pursuant to options exercisable within 60 days.

Independent and Non-Management Directors

The listing requirements of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) were amended to require that a majority of the members of a listed company s board of directors be non-management. The question of non-management and independence is determined with respect to every director pursuant to NYSE rules. The NYSE rules also require that certain committees be composed entirely of independent and non-management directors. The committees covered by this requirement are the Audit, Compensation, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees. Based upon NYSE rules, six of the Board s nine members (assuming election of the directors proposed in this proxy statement), a majority, would be independent and seven would be non-management as of June 30, 2006. All current members of the identified committees are non-management and independent in that those directors do not have a material relationship with the Company directly or as a partner, shareowner or affiliate of an entity that has a relationship with the Company. The Board made its determination of independence based on the fact that none of the independent directors:

Is an officer or employee of the Company, its subsidiaries, or its affiliates, or has any current or past material relationship within the Company; or,

Has an immediate family member who is an officer of the Company or its subsidiaries or that has any current or past material relationship with the Company; or,

Has worked for, consulted with, or received anything of substantial value from the Company aside from his compensation as a Director; or,

Is currently, or was within the past three years, employed by the independent auditors for the Company; or,

Serves on the compensation committee or the board of directors of any corporation that employs a nominee for Director or a member of their immediate family; or,

Is an executive officer of any entity which the Company s annual sales to or purchases from exceeded one percent of either entity s annual revenues for the last fiscal year; or,

Serves as a director, trustee, executive officer or similar position of a charitable or non-profit organization to which the Company or its subsidiaries made charitable contributions or payments in fiscal year 2006 in excess of two percent of the organization s charitable receipts.

Independent and Non-Management Directors

James N. DeBoer

James D. Fast

Richard J. Johns, M.D.

David P. Molfenter Chairman, Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee William I. Noecker Chairman, Audit Committee and Lead Independent Director

W. Peter Slusser Chairman, Compensation Committee

Non-Management Director

Bradley O. Smith Chairman, Executive Committee and Chairman of the Board

Meetings of Independent and Non-Management Directors

The Independent Directors, as well as Non-Management Directors, schedule meetings in executive sessions without the presence of the Company s management. An Independent Director is selected to preside over the sessions during that year.

The Independent Directors and the Non-Management Directors each met once during the last fiscal year. Shareowners wishing to communicate directly with the Independent or Non-Management Directors may send correspondence addressed as follows:

Independent Directors c/o Corporate Secretary Sparton Corporation 2400 E. Ganson St. Jackson, Michigan 49202 Non-Management Directors c/o Corporate Secretary Sparton Corporation 2400 E. Ganson St. Jackson, Michigan 49202

Lead Independent / Non-Management Director

Mr. William I. Noecker has previously been designated by the Independent Directors as the Lead Independent / Non-Management Director. The Lead Independent / Non-Management Director provides leadership to enhance the Board's effectiveness, preside over meetings of the Independent and Non-Management directors without management present, and serve as a liaison between the Board and management. The Lead Independent / Non-Management Director is responsible for determining when to hold, and who shall preside over, executive sessions held by the Independent and Non-Management directors. Communications from shareowners, employees, or third parties, should these parties desire not to communicate directly with the Board of Directors or management, may be sent to the Lead Independent / Non-Management Director, in care of the Corporate Secretary, using the above address.

Shareowner Communications Policy

Shareowners should communicate with the Board of Directors by sending a letter to the Sparton Board of Directors, c/o the Office of the Corporate Secretary, 2400 East Ganson Street, Jackson, Michigan 49202. The Office of the Corporate Secretary will receive the correspondence and forward it to the director or directors to whom the communication is directed, unless the communication is unduly hostile, threatening, harassing, illegal, not reasonably related to Sparton or its business, or similarly inappropriate. The Office of the Corporate Secretary has the authority to discard or disregard any inappropriate communications (other than a proposal submitted pursuant to Rule 14a-8 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or any communication made in connection with such a proposal) or to take other appropriate actions with respect to any such inappropriate communications. In addition, the Office of the Corporate Secretary is authorized to forward communications that are clearly more appropriately addressed by other departments, such as customer service or accounting, to the appropriate department. The foregoing instructions by the directors to the office of the Corporate Secretary are subject to change by the directors. Additionally, all communications are available to any director who wishes to review them.

Board and Committee Information

The Board of Directors, which had seven meetings during the past fiscal year, has standing Audit, Compensation, Executive, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees.

The Audit Committee met four times during the last fiscal year and consisted of Messrs. William I. Noecker (Chairman), James D. Fast, and David P. Molfenter. This Committee operates under a written charter and oversees auditing, financial reporting and internal control matters. It also selects the firm that Sparton retains as its independent auditors. The Committee consults with the independent auditors and oversees their audit and other work. The Committee also consults with the Chairman of the Board, President, and Senior Vice President-Treasurer and oversees those individuals who review Sparton s internal controls and compliance with policies. The members of the Audit Committee are independent, as defined under the New York Stock Exchange listing standards. The Board has determined that Mr. Noecker, in addition to being independent, is an audit committee financial expert as defined in the Security and Exchange Commission s (SEC) regulation S-K, Item 401(h)(2). The independent auditors have access to the Committee without any other members of management being present. The Audit Committee met with management and the independent auditors before the announcement of earnings each quarter. The Committee also reviewed the annual consolidated financial statements and annual report on Form 10-K and the Audit Committee report in this Proxy Statement before each was filed with the SEC. The functions and qualifications for membership are set forth in its charter, a copy of which is available on the Company s website.

The Compensation Committee, which held five meetings during the last fiscal year and consisted of Messrs. W. Peter Slusser (Chairman), James N. DeBoer, and David P. Molfenter, monitors the remuneration, including stock options, for the Company s executive officers.

The Executive Committee, which consisted of Messrs. Bradley O. Smith (Chairman), James N. DeBoer, David W. Hockenbrocht, and William I. Noecker, did not meet during fiscal 2006.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, which consisted of Messrs. David P. Molfenter (Chairman), James D. Fast and Richard J. Johns M.D., held four meetings last fiscal year. The Committee reviews the makeup of the existing Board of Directors and the tenure of its members, consistent with appropriate principles of corporate governance and applicable regulations. The Committee also considers and recommends candidates for election to the Board consistent with the needs of the Company, regulatory requirements, and the qualifications of the candidates. The Committee has implemented a formal process for consideration of candidates.

The Company s website address is www.sparton.com. Information provided at the website includes, among other items, the Company s Corporate Governance Guidelines, current charters for the Audit, Compensation, Nominating and Corporate Governance, and Executive Committees of the Board of Directors, Board committees and their membership, and the Company s Code of Business Conduct and Ethics.

All directors attended at least 75% of the meetings of the Board and committees on which they serve. In addition, the directors are expected to attend the Annual Shareowners Meeting. At the Company s fiscal 2005 Annual Meeting, eight of the nine directors were in attendance.

Director Qualifications

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee is responsible for reviewing with the Board, from time to time, the appropriate qualities, skills and characteristics desired for Board members in the context of the current make-up of the Board. This assessment includes consideration of the following summary of minimum qualifications that the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee believes must be met by all directors, as well as the following considerations for the composition of the Board as a whole:

Essential Qualities

Relevant and substantial business experience, with an understanding of what is involved in leading a company

Sound business instincts and judgment, with the ability to make informed and strategic decisions

Professional and personal reputation and integrity consistent with the Company s Code of Ethics

Strong interpersonal skills evidencing the ability to work as part of a group and express views that are both challenging to and supportive of management

Commitment and availability to the Company to perform necessary and desired duties, with the ability to accept accountability for their role in Board decisions

Genuinely interested in the Company, its business, and its people, with a willingness to remain committed over a period of several years

Board Composition Considerations

Strategic mix of directors allowing for diverse expertise and experience fitting the specific needs of the Company, now and anticipated in the future

Multiple directors possessing understanding and expertise in the area of accounting and finance

Minimum of one director with understanding and experience in legal and/or regulatory matters

Multiple directors with specific experience and knowledge of the risks and challenges unique to the industry in which the Company operates

Visionaries with the ability to lead, manage change, and assist in the continued growth of the Company

Familiarity and ability to relate to, and deal with, the media and various financial markets

These factors and others are considered useful by the Board, and are considered in an assessment of the perceived needs of the Board at a particular point in time.

Process for Identifying and Evaluating Director Nominees

The Board is responsible for selecting its own members. The Board delegates the evaluation, selection and nomination process to the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, with the expectation that other members of the Board and management will be requested to take part in the process as appropriate.

Once candidates have been identified, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee confirms that the candidates meet all of the minimum qualifications for director nominees established by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Potential candidates for directors are generally suggested to the committee by current board members and shareowners, and are evaluated at meetings of the committee. Based on the results of the evaluation process, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee recommends candidates for the Board s approval as director nominees for election to the Board. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee also recommends candidates for the Board s appointment to the committees of the Board.

Procedure for Recommendation of Director Nominees by Shareowners

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider director candidates who are recommended by shareowners of the Company. To recommend a nominee, a shareowner should write to the Company s Corporate Secretary at 2400 E. Ganson St., Jackson, MI 49202. To be considered by the Committee for nomination and inclusion in the Company s Proxy Statement for its 2007 Annual Meeting of Shareowners, a shareowner recommendation for a Director must be received by the Company s Secretary no later than 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting. Any recommendation must include (i) the name and address of the candidate, (ii) a brief biographical description, including his or her occupation for at least the last five years, and a statement of the qualifications of the candidate, taking into account the qualification requirements summarized above, and (iii) the candidate signed consent to be named in the Proxy Statement and to serve as a Director if elected. The Committee may seek additional biographical and background information from any candidate that must be received on a timely basis to be considered by the Committee. Further information regarding shareowner recommendation of director candidates is contained in the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee Charter, which is available at the Company s website. Assuming the appropriate biographical and background material is provided for candidates submitted by shareowners, the Committee will evaluate those candidates by following substantially the same process, and applying substantially the same criteria, as for candidates submitted by Board members. All Directors nominees recommended for election by the shareowners at the 2006 Annual Meeting are current members of the Board. The Committee did not receive any nominations from shareowners for the 2006 Annual Meeting.

Board Compensation

For fiscal 2006, independent directors received an annual base retainer of \$8,600. During fiscal 2006, independent directors also received \$600 for each regularly scheduled Board meeting attended and the annual meeting, and \$500 for each regularly scheduled committee meeting and each special board meeting attended. Non-independent directors are paid \$500 for each regularly scheduled board meeting attended and each special meeting of the Board. In addition to his directors fees, which totaled \$8,700 in fiscal 2006, Mr. Bradley O. Smith is compensated for services rendered as Chairman of the Board of Directors. Such compensation totaled \$69,866 for fiscal 2006.

In addition to his regular director's fees, which totaled \$21,400 in fiscal 2006, Mr. David Molfenter received an additional \$1,000 in directors fees in fiscal 2006 for review of the acquisition of Astro Instrumentation, Inc (Astro).

Corporate Governance

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 was enacted on July 30, 2002. The statute addresses, among other issues, corporate governance, auditing and accounting, executive compensation, and enhanced and timely disclosure of corporate information. In November 2003, the SEC approved new corporate governance rules for the New York Stock Exchange that address director independence and corporate accountability. The changes were designed to allow shareowners to more easily and efficiently monitor the performance of companies and directors. Sparton s Board of Directors developed a series of changes to address these new requirements. The Audit Committee revised its charter and adopted a policy for pre-approving all services, audit and non-audit, performed by the Company s Independent Auditors. In addition, the Board adopted charters for the Compensation, Executive, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees. These charters address issues such as independence of the committee members, committee organization and powers, member qualifications, duties and responsibilities, and corporate governance. As of June 30, 2006, all members of the Audit, Compensation, and Nominating and Corporate Governance Committees were independent directors. Copies of the charters for each of these committees are located on the Company s website. The Company continues to develop and refine its Corporate Governance policies and practices and their place within the Board s committee structure. Code of Ethics

The Sparton Way governs the actions and working relationships of Sparton employees, officers and directors. The Sparton Way endorses the highest level of ethical standards, along with addressing other issues such as corporate opportunities, confidentiality, and the protection and proper use of corporate assets. The Company also updated its long standing Code of Business Conduct and Ethics in light of current regulatory requirements.

To the extent any waiver is granted with respect to the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics that requires disclosure under applicable SEC rules, such waiver will also be posted on the website, as will any amendment that may be adopted from time to time. Sparton s Shareowner Letters, Annual Report, Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, and news releases are also available at the website, or are available, without charge, by contacting the Shareowners Relations Department at 1-800-248-9579.

Whistleblower Provisions

It is the policy of Sparton Corporation to encourage its employees and other persons to disclose improper activities, and to address complaints alleging acts of reprisal or intimidation resulting from disclosure of improper activities. Individuals wishing to report improper activities may call Sparton s Whistleblower service at 1-866-393-7585. Activities may be reported anonymously if desired.

Audit Committee Report

The Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed Sparton s audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, with management and with Sparton s independent registered public accounting firm (independent auditors), BDO Seidman, LLP. Management is responsible for Sparton s internal controls and the financial reporting process. The independent auditors are responsible for performing an independent audit of Sparton s consolidated financial statements in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States).

The Audit Committee has discussed with BDO Seidman, LLP the matters required to be discussed by Statement on Auditing Standards No. 61, as amended, relating to the conduct of the audit. The Audit Committee has received the written disclosures from BDO Seidman, LLP required by Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1 (Independence Discussion with Audit Committees), discussed with BDO Seidman, LLP their independence, and considered the compatibility of non-audit services provided by BDO Seidman, LLP with their independence. Based on the review and discussion described above, the Audit Committee recommended to the Board of Directors that the audited consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, be included in Sparton s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

William I. Noecker, *Chairman*James D. Fast
David P. Molfenter

PROPOSAL 2

RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Relationship with Independent Auditors

The Audit Committee appoints the independent auditors for Sparton. In addition to performing the audit of the Company s consolidated financial statements, BDO Seidman, LLP provided various other services during fiscal 2006. The Audit Committee has considered the provision of all non-audit services performed by BDO Seidman, LLP during fiscal 2006 with respect to maintaining auditor independence. The Audit Committee reviewed and pre-approved all professional services requested of, and performed by, BDO Seidman, LLP. The Pre-Approval Policy for audit and non-audit services was included as an appendix to the Company s 2003 Proxy Statement. The aggregate fees billed for fiscal 2006 and 2005 for each of the following categories of services are set forth below.

Pursuant to the Pre-Approval Policy, the Audit Committee annually reviews and pre-approves the services that may be provided by the independent auditor without obtaining specific pre-approval from the Audit Committee, and such services are considered approved through the next annual review. The Audit Committee revises the list of pre-approved services from time to time based on subsequent determinations. The Audit Committee may delegate pre-approval authority to one or more of the members. The member or members to whom such authority is delegated shall report any pre-approval decisions to the Audit Committee at its next scheduled meeting. *Fiscal 2006*

Audit Fees The aggregate fees of BDO Seidman, LLP for professional services rendered for the audit of Sparton's annual consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, and the reviews of the consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for that fiscal year, were \$246,000. Audit-related Fees The aggregate audit-related fees of BDO Seidman, LLP for professional services rendered, primarily for the audit of the Company's employee benefit plans and consulting and related assistance regarding the acquisition of Astro, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, were \$47,000.

Tax Fees The aggregate fees of BDO Seidman, LLP for tax services, preparation and review, rendered for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, were \$68,000.

All Other Fees There were no fees for other services billed by BDO Seidman, LLP for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, and there were no Financial Information Systems Design and Implementation services provided. *Fiscal* 2005

Audit Fees The aggregate fees of BDO Seidman, LLP for professional services rendered for the audit of Sparton's annual consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, and the reviews of the consolidated financial statements included in the Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for that fiscal year, were \$221,000. Audit-related Fees The aggregate audit-related fees of BDO Seidman, LLP for professional services rendered, primarily for the audit of the Company's employee benefit plans, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, were \$24,000.

Tax Fees The aggregate fees of BDO Seidman, LLP for tax services, preparation and review, rendered for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, were \$50,000.

All Other Fees There were no fees for other services billed by BDO Seidman, LLP for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005, and there were no Financial Information Systems Design and Implementation services provided.

Auditor Independence

The Audit Committee is required to consider the independence of BDO Seidman, LLP when engaging the firm to perform audit-related and other services. In 2006, it was determined by the Committee that audit-related and other services provided and the fees paid for those services were compatible with maintaining the independence of BDO Seidman, LLP.

Vote Required and Recommendation

At a meeting on August 30, 2006, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors took action to approve the retention of the accounting firm of BDO Seidman, LLP as the independent auditors for Company for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. Subsequently, the Board made the decision to seek shareowner ratification of this action. In order to be adopted, this proposal must be approved by the holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of our common stock present or represented by proxy and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. If the shareowners do not ratify the appointment of BDO Seidman, LLP, our Board of Directors will consider the selection of other auditors.

Board Recommendation

The Board of Directors recommends that shareowners vote FOR the ratification of the selection of BDO Seidman, LLP.

Representatives of BDO Seidman, LLP, the Company s independent registered public accounting firm, are expected to be present at the Annual Meeting. They will have an opportunity to make a statement if they desire to do so and are expected to be available to respond to appropriate questions.

COMPENSATION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The following tables provide certain data and information on the compensation of the Company s Chief Executive Officer and its four most highly compensated executive officers (other than the CEO) whose annual salary and bonus exceeded \$100,000 (collectively referred to as the Named Executives). The following report addresses the Company s compensation policies and programs for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, the details of which are reflected in the tables set forth in the following pages of this Proxy Statement. The Company s and the Board s policies and practices pertaining to the compensation of executive officers and management have been in effect for a number of years.

Compensation Committee Report

The decisions on the compensation of the Company s executive officers are monitored by the Board s Compensation Committee. This Committee is composed of three independent, non-management directors; Messrs. W. Peter Slusser (Chairman), James N. DeBoer and David P. Molfenter.

The Company has long-established policies and practices intended to compensate its salaried employees in a manner that will enable the Company to attract, retain and motivate them to accomplish corporate goals and objectives. These policies and practices encourage management to remain dedicated to maximize long-term shareowner value. The Company s compensation program has several elements: cash compensation (including salary and incentive bonus), incentive stock options, defined benefit and defined contribution retirement plans. Reflective of the Company s goals of relating compensation to corporate performance, the incentive bonus compensation plan permits certain executive officers and certain key management employees to earn additional compensation if return on capital employed (ROCE) is in excess of established goals. During the past fiscal year, there were no bonuses awarded, as the ROCE plan performance goals were not realized. The performance goals for the incentive bonus compensation plan, ROCE, are reviewed annually by the Compensation Committee, and the Committee s recommendations are reported to the Board of Directors for their review. Upon the recommendations of the Committee, bonuses may be paid in addition to or in lieu of bonuses earned under the annual incentive bonus plan based on the Committee s evaluation of the employee s individual performance, level of responsibility and experience. During the past fiscal year, no discretionary bonuses were paid.

The Committee members use the same procedures described above in setting the annual salary, bonus, and incentive stock option grants for David W. Hockenbrocht, the Company s Chief Executive Officer and President. These Committee members evaluate the performance of Mr. Hockenbrocht annually based on both the Company s financial performance, and the extent to which the strategic and business goals established for the Company are met. Mr. Hockenbrocht s annual base salary for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, was \$330,750. Based on the Committee s review, it was determined that the CEO s compensation was reasonable. Mr. Hockenbrocht does not have an employment agreement with the Company or other agreement that provides for the payment of additional compensation in the event of a change in control of the Company or in the event of his severance from the Company. However, Mr. Hockenbrocht is eligible, as are the other officers and salaried employees of the Company, to participate in the Company s salaried employees severance program. The Company s severance program provides severance pay equal to one week s pay per year of service, to a maximum of twelve weeks of severance pay.

W. Peter Slusser, Chairman

James N. DeBoer

David P. Molfenter

EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

Summary Compensation Table

The Summary Compensation Table shows certain compensation information for the Named Executives for services rendered in all capacities during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2006, 2005, and 2004:

| Name and Principal Position | Fiscal Year | Annual Compensation(1) | | Long-term Compensation(2) Securities Underlying | All Other Compensation | |
|---|----------------|---------------------------|--------|--|---------------------------|--|
| | | Salary | Bonus | Options | | |
| David W. Hockenbrocht - | 2006 | \$330,750 | \$ -0- | -0- | \$ 8,536(3) | |
| Chief Executive Officer and | 2005 | 330,750 | 64,241 | 21,000 | 10,500(4) | |
| President | 2004 | 330,750 | -0- | -0- | 9,197(5) | |
| Douglas E. Johnson - | 2006 | 179,088 | -0- | -0- | 4,753(6) | |
| Chief Operating Officer and | 2005 | 172,956 | 46,271 | 10,500 | 4,415(6) | |
| Executive Vice President | 2004 | 170,409 | -0- | -0- | 4,128(6) | |
| Richard L. Langley - | 2006 | 154,678 | -0- | -0- | 6,927(7) | |
| Chief Financial Officer, Senior | 2005 | 146,305 | 38,546 | 10,500 | 7,714(8) | |
| Vice President, and Treasurer | 2004 | 143,237 | -0- | -0- | 6,433(9) | |
| Charles A. Stranko - | 2006 | 114,192 | -0- | -0- | 3,426(6) | |
| Vice President International | 2005 | 111,888 | 16,060 | -0- | 3,357(6) | |
| Business Development and | 2004 | 111,690 | -0- | -0- | 3,323(6) | |
| Vice President Sparton Technology, Inc. | | | | | | |
| Michael G. Woods - | 2006 | 115,805 | -0- | -0- | 7,510(6) | |
| Senior Vice President | 2005 | 102,820 | 14,674 | 5,250 | 6,897(6) | |
| | 2004 | 93,368 | -0- | -0- | 4,614(6) | |

- (1) Perquisites and other personal benefits, securities, or property for the Named Executives for the fiscal years did not exceed the lesser of \$50,000, or 10% of the total annual salary and bonus.
- (2) Option information reflects

adjustments resulting from the 5% stock dividends distributed on February 18, 2003, December 19, 2003, December 15, 2004, and January 13, 2006, as applicable.

- (3) Directors fee of \$3,000 plus Company contribution to defined contribution benefit plan of \$5,536.
- (4) Directors fees of \$4,000 plus Company contribution to defined contribution benefit plan of \$6,500.
- (5) Directors fees of \$3,000 plus Company contribution to defined contribution benefit plan of \$6,197.

- (6) Company contributions to the employee s defined contribution benefit plan.
- (7) Directors fees of \$3,000 plus Company contribution to defined contribution benefit plan of \$3,927.
- (8) Directors fees of \$4,000 plus
 Company
 contribution to
 defined
 contribution
 benefit plan of
 \$3,714.
- (9) Directors fees of \$3,000 plus Company contribution to defined contribution benefit plan of \$3,433.

Options Granted in Last Fiscal Year

No stock options were granted to the Named Executives during fiscal 2006.

Option/SAR Exercises and Holdings

The following table sets forth information, with respect to the Named Executives, concerning the exercise of stock options or stock appreciation rights (SARs) during the year and unexercised options held at June 30, 2006. There were no SAR sheld as of June 30, 2006:

AGGREGATED OPTION/SAR EXERCISES IN LAST FISCAL YEAR AND FISCAL YEAR-END OPTION/SAR VALUES

Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options at Fiscal Year-End(1) Value of Unexercised in the Money Options at

Fiscal Year-End(1)(2)

Shares

Value

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| Name | Acquired on Exercise | Realized | Exerciseable | Unexerciseable | e Exerciseable | Unexerciseable |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| David W. Hockenbrocht | 46,306 | \$244,495 | 91,422 | 26,241 | \$ 235,249 | \$ 16,246 |
| Douglas E. Johnson | 11,576 | 73,855 | 39,851 | 10,154 | 101,627 | 3,441 |
| Richard L. Langley | 40,518 | 252,485 | 34,642 | 10,443 | 87,406 | 3,918 |
| Charles A. Stranko | | | 8,467 | 1,808 | 23,114 | 2,771 |
| Michael G. Woods | 7,376 | 41,158 | 12,819 | 5,745 | 31,411 | 2,771 |

- (1) Option information has been adjusted for the 5% stock dividend distribution on January 13, 2006.
- (2) The value of unexercised options reflects the increase in market value of the Company s Common Stock from the date of grant through June 30, 2006, when the closing price of the Company s stock was \$8.50 per share. The value actually realized upon exercise by the Named Executives will depend on the value of the Company s Common Stock at the time of exercise.

Retirement Programs

The Company maintains a defined benefit retirement plan for U.S. employees of the Company, excluding the employees of the recently acquired Astro Instrumentation, Inc. (previously and hereafter referred to as Astro), which provides for monthly pensions following retirement. During the past year, no cash contribution was made by the Company to the plan as in the judgment of the Company s independent actuaries, the pension plan was fully funded. The plan provides a basic benefit of \$2.25 per month for each year of credited service up to a maximum of \$90 per

month. In addition, for those participants who contributed 5% of their monthly compensation (excluding bonuses) per month, the plan provides for an additional monthly pension amount equal to $1^1/2\%$ of the participant s final five-year average monthly compensation (excluding bonuses) times the participant s years of contributory credited service to a maximum of 30 years. Effective April 1, 2000, the Company amended its defined benefit retirement plan to determine benefits by a cash balance formula. Under the cash balance formula, each participant has a benefit equal to their cash balance account which is credited yearly with 2% of their salary, as well as the interest earned on their previous year-end cash balance. Service under the Company s prior salary-based formula was frozen as of March 31, 2000, and the benefit formula amended to calculate the monthly pension based upon the participant s five-year average earnings as defined.

The following table shows the estimated annual retirement benefits, payable under the prior salary-based formula, in specified remuneration and service classifications upon normal retirement at age 65 (or June 30, 2006, if the individual is currently age 65 or older). The benefits shown are not subject to any deduction for Social Security or other offset amounts. The maximum amount of annual compensation allowed to be included in determining final average compensation has been limited by Federal statute to \$220,000 for 2006. This amount is subject to future adjustment by the Internal Revenue Service.

| Final 5-Year Average |
|------------------------|
| Annual Earnings |
| (Excludes Bonuses) |

| Annual Earnings | Years of Contributory and Credited Service at Age 65 | | | | |
|-------------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Excludes Bonuses) | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 |
| \$ 60,000 | \$ 4,635 | \$ 9,270 | \$13,905 | \$18,540 | \$23,175 |
| 80,000 | 6,135 | 12,270 | 18,405 | 24,540 | 30,675 |
| 100,000 | 7,635 | 15,270 | 22,905 | 30,540 | 38,175 |
| 120,000 | 9,135 | 18,270 | 27,405 | 36,540 | 45,675 |
| 140,000 | 10,635 | 21,270 | 31,905 | 42,540 | 53,175 |
| 160,000 | 12,135 | 24,270 | 36,405 | 48,540 | 60,675 |
| 180,000 | 13,635 | 27,270 | 40,905 | 54,540 | 68,175 |
| 200,000 | 15,135 | 30,270 | 45,405 | 60,540 | 75,675 |
| 205,000 | 15,510 | 31,020 | 46,530 | 62,040 | 77,550 |
| 210,000 | 15,885 | 31,770 | 47,655 | 63,540 | 79,425 |
| 220,000 | 16,635 | 33,270 | 49,905 | 66,540 | 83,175 |

The following Named Executives have years of contributory credited service under the plan as of June 30, 2006, as follows:

Officers

Years of Contributory Credited Service

David W. Hockenbrocht

22.25

Douglas E. Johnson 11.75

Richard L. Langley 13.75

Charles A. Stranko

Michael G. Woods

In addition to benefits payable under the prior salary-based formula of the defined benefit plan described in the immediately foregoing table, benefits are available under the cash balance formula. Estimated lump sum benefits equal to their cash balance account under the cash balance pension plan upon retirement at age 65 (or June 30, 2006, if the individual is currently age 65 or older) for Messrs. Hockenbrocht, Johnson, Langley, Stranko and Woods are, \$28,875, \$63,550, \$37,104, \$100,979 and \$0 respectively, assuming each Named Executive receives no

pay increase and cash balances are credited with interest at a rate of 6% per annum. It should be noted that the amount payable to Mr. Hockenbrocht is lower than the other Named Executives as he has attained age 65. In addition, Mr. Woods is a Canadian citizen and does not participate in the above pension plan. Mr. Woods is covered under the Canadian retirement plan.

The Company also maintains a 401(k) defined contribution plan for its U.S. employees, excluding Astro. The Company s matching contribution is 50% of a participants cash contribution of up to 6% of their wages. The Company s matching cash contribution is directed to be invested in Sparton Common Stock. Contributions paid on behalf of the Named Executives are detailed in the Summary Compensation Table.

The Company also has a defined contribution plan for its Canadian employees. Canadian based salaried employees participate in a profit sharing program whereby the Company pays the greater of a) 8% of the net profits of the Canadian facility before taxes, but not greater than 8% of the total earnings of the members of the plan or b) 1% of the earnings of the participants in the plan. Canadian based hourly employees participate in a collectively bargained pension plan whereby the Company contributes \$0.45 per hour, up to 2,080 hours, for each employee.

Astro, the Company s recently acquired subsidiary, maintains a separate 401(k) defined contribution plan, to which no contributions were made by the Company.

Section 16(a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance

Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act requires the Company s directors and executive officers, and persons who own more than 10% of a registered class of the Company s equity securities, to file reports of ownership and changes in ownership to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Officers, directors, and greater than 10% shareowners are required by SEC regulation to furnish the Company with copies of all Section 16(a) forms they file. Based solely upon a review of the copies of the forms furnished to the Company, and/or written representations from certain reporting persons, during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, the Company believes that all filing requirements applicable to its officers and directors were complied with.

Performance Graph

The following is a line-graph presentation comparing cumulative, five-year shareowner returns, on an indexed basis, of the Company s Common Stock with that of a broad market index (S&P 500 Composite Index) and a more specific industry index, the Electronics Component of the NASDAQ. The comparison assumes a \$100 investment on June 30, 2001, and the reinvestment of dividends.

Comparison of Five-Year Cumulative Total Return Among Sparton Corporation, S&P 500 Index, and NASDAQ Industry Indexes (Index June 30, 2001 = 100)

For the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2001 2002