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PRODUCTION OF ALL-NEW ISUZU CLASS 6 TRUCK BEGINS TODAY

2018 FTR Assembled in a New Facility in Charlotte, Michigan

ANAHEIM, Calif.—Isuzu Commercial Truck of America, Inc. distributor of America’s best-selling low cab forward trucks, has announced that production of its all-new entry in the Class 6 medium-duty truck segment—the 2018 Isuzu FTR—began , Monday, May 8, 2017.

The truck is being produced at a new 80,000-square-foot Spartan Motors facility in Charlotte, Michigan.

“We believe that the all-new FTR is the truck of the future,” said Shaun Skinner, president of Isuzu Commercial Truck of America. “This truck’s combination of low-cab-forward design, Class 6 GVWR and four-cylinder diesel engine gives it fantastic maneuverability, the ability to carry more cargo than a conventional Class 6 truck, and outstanding fuel efficiency.

“We’re also thrilled to be working with Spartan Motors in Michigan,” Skinner added. “Much of the engineering for this truck was done at the Isuzu Technical Center of America in Plymouth, Michigan, and many of the parts for it are U.S.-sourced. This is a true medium-duty Class 6 truck designed and built for this market, in this market.”

The FTR is powered by Isuzu’s renowned 4HK1-TC 5.2-liter turbocharged four-cylinder diesel engine—a first in the segment. It generates 520 lbs.-ft. of torque and 215 horsepower and carries a B10 durability rating of 375,000 miles—meaning that 90% of engines should reach that mileage before requiring an overhaul. The truck has a gross vehicle weight rating of 25,950 lbs.

Eight wheelbase lengths, ranging from 152 to 248 inches, accommodate bodies from 14 feet to 30 feet, allowing for a wide variety of body applications.

The new truck assembly plant where the FTR is being produced represents a \$6.5 million investment and has already brought new jobs to the Michigan workforce.

Steve Guillaume, President of Spartan Specialty Vehicles, said, “We value our business relationship with Isuzu, and we’re excited to help bring this groundbreaking new product to the market.”



More information can be found at www.isuzucv.com and at www.spartanmotors.com.

About Isuzu Trucks:

Isuzu commercial trucks have been the best-selling low cab forward trucks in America every year since 1986. Headquartered in Anaheim, California, Isuzu Commercial Truck of America, Inc. is the distributor of Isuzu commercial trucks in the United States. Isuzu Commercial Truck of America, Inc. is a subsidiary of Isuzu Motors Limited, one of the world's largest manufacturers of medium- and heavy-duty trucks.

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SPECIFICATIONS	2018 ISUZU FTR
GVWR/GCWR	25,950/30,000 lbs.
BODY/PAYLOAD ALLOWANCE	14,641-15,690 lbs.
GAWR	
Front	12,000 lbs.
Rear	19,000 lbs.
FRONT AXLE CAPACITY	12,000 lbs.
REAR AXLE CAPACITY	19,000 lbs.
Ratio	6.17
SUSPENSION F/R SPRINGS	Tapered/Multi-Leaf
Capacity	12,000/21,000 lbs.
SERVICE BRAKES	Full Air Dual Circuit with ABS
Front/Rear	S-CAM Drum Automatic Adjust
EXHAUST BRAKE	Standard
TRANSMISSION	Allison 2550 RDS 6-speed automatic
ENGINE	Isuzu 4HK1-TC turbocharged intercooled diesel
Displacement	5.2L (317 in. ³)
Engine Power	215 hp @ 2,500 rpm
Engine Torque	520 lb.-ft. @ 1,650 rpm
Oil Level Indicator	Dash-mounted oil level check switch and light
ALTERNATOR	140-amp
BATTERIES	2 Maintenance-Free Group 31 750-CCA
TIRES LRR (Low Rolling Resistance)	11R22.5 (14-pr) Standard
STEERING	Integral Hydraulic Power
STEERING COLUMN	Tilt and Telescopic
FUEL TANK	
Standard	50- or 100-gal. LH side mount - Depending on Wheelbase
Optional	N/A
FUEL/WATER SEPARATOR	Dual fuel filter with dash-mounted indicator light

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