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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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October 13, 1989

Docket No. 99900839/89-01

Mr. Robert Arnold, President
Rotork Controls, Incorporated
19 Jet View Drive
Rochester, New York 14624

Dear Mr. Arnold:

This letter addresses the inspection of your facility at Rochester, New York conducted by Mr. Edward Baker, of this office on September 12-13, 1989, and the discussion of his findings with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The purpose of the inspection was to review the interface and coordination between Rotork Controls Limited, Bath, England and Rotork Controls, Incorporated (Rotork) and to review portions of your Quality Assurance (QA) program related to design control and purchasing of material, equipment, and components.

During this inspection it was found that the implementation of your QA program failed to meet certain NRC requirements. Two instances were identified where QA did not review nonstandard product forms for a nuclear order, resulting in a failure to impose appropriate QA requirements on a supplier. In addition, it was noted that Rotork was using commercial grade fasteners to hold down the thrust ring without verifying that the fasteners met design requirements.

An unresolved item was identified concerning the adequacy of your Part 21 procedure. You are requested to review your procedure and assure that your procedure provides for a thorough review of deviations, informing customers of deviations in those instances where Rotork cannot perform the evaluation, and reporting of defects as required by 10 CFR Part 21. It is understood that NRC comments on your 10 CFR Part 21 procedure on a previous inspection may have been incomplete or inadequate and therefore we are classifying this item as an unresolved item in the report and no specific response is requested. However, we will review your corrective actions on this matter during a future inspection.

Please provide us within 30 days from the date of this letter a written statement containing: (1) a description of steps that have been or will be taken to correct these items; (2) a description of steps that have been or will be taken to prevent recurrence; and (3) the dates your corrective actions and preventive measures were or will be completed. We will consider extending the response time if you can show good cause for us to do so.

The responses requested by this letter are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

Original signed by E. William Brach

E. William Brach, Chief
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Safeguards
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A-Notice of Nonconformance
2. Appendix B-Inspection Report 99900839/89-01

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