

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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May 31, 1994

Docket No. 99901273

Mr. Sean A. McNelis, General Manager Westronics 22001 Northpark Drive Kingwood, Texas 77339-3804

Dear Mr. McNelis:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF NONCONFORMANCE

(NRC INSPECTION REPORT 99901273/94-C1)

This letter addresses the inspection of Westronics at Kingwood, Texas, conducted by Messrs. R. K. Frahm, Jr., and R. C. Wilson of this office on May 2-6, 1994, and the discussion of their findings with members of your staff on May 6, 1994. The purpose of the inspection was to review the implementation of your programs for meeting the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, and 10 CFR Part 21 in the supply of chart recorders and replacement parts for nuclear safety-related applications.

Areas examined during the NRC inspection and our findings are discussed in the enclosed report. This inspection consisted of an examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

The inspectors determined that Westronics's 10 CFR Part 21 program met the intent of the regulations and was effectively implemented for three recent 10 CFR Part 21 notifications. The inspectors also noted that Westronics had a controlled quality assurance program in accordance with Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50, and that this program was administered by a knowledgeable and qualified quality assurance staff which had sufficient authority and management support.

The inspectors found, however, that the implementation of Westronics's quality assurance program failed to meet certain NRC requirements. Specifically, the requirements of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50 were not invoked on a contractor who performed seismic qualification testing on recorders used in nuclear safety-related applications, nor was a review done by Westronics to assure that Appendix B controls were in place during the qualification testing. The inspectors further noted that a schedule of internal and external audits was not developed and maintained, and eight corrective action requests were not resolved in a timely manner. The specific findings and references to the pertinent requirements are identified in the enclosures to this letter.

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Sincerely,

Leif J. Norrholm, Chief Vendor Inspection Branch Division of Reactor Inspection and Licensee Performance Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Nonconformance

2. Inspection Report 99901273/94-01

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