

July 26, 2012

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SUBJECT: SPX, COPE-S-VULCAN'S RESPONSE TO THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY
COMMISSION INSPECTION REPORT 99900080/2012-201 AND NOTICE OF
NONCONFORMANCE

Dear Mr. Kuntz:

Thank you for your July 2, 2012 letter in response to the Notice of Nonconformance (NON) that was discussed in the subject U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspection report (IR).

We reviewed your letter and found that it was not fully responsive to one of the issues discussed in IR 99900080/2012-201. Specifically, SPX's response to NON 99900080/2012-201 stated that GT-14, the procedure used to verify and validate commercially procured software for design analysis for safety-related work, was revised to state that "the verification and validation process also serves to satisfy the commercial grade dedication requirements of 50.5.27.79." However, your response failed to state how GT-14 would develop the acceptance criteria for the identified critical characteristics to satisfy the commercial grade dedication requirements of 50-5.27.79. Please clarify your response to indicate the acceptance criteria to be used in the commercial grade dedication of commercial software.

In accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulation* (10 CFR) 2.390 "Public Inspections, Exemptions, Requests for Withholding," of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure(s), and your response will be made available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System, accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be made available to the Public without redaction. If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, then please provide a bracketed copy of your response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request that such material is withheld from public disclosure, you must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the bases for your claim (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by 10 CFR 2.390(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information). If safeguards information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21 "Protection of Safeguards Information: Performance Requirements."

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Please contact Mr. Yamir Diaz-Castillo at (301) 415-2228 or via electronic mail at Yamir.Diaz-Castillo@nrc.gov, if you have any questions or need assistance regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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