

POST-EVENT ASSESSMENT

WAI's post-disaster assessment experience is not limited to earthquakes. Several engineers and scientists have been involved in reconnaissance efforts following most of the major terrorist blast events dating back to Beirut, Lebanon in 1983. WAI was actively involved in the immediate post-disaster evaluation of numerous buildings surrounding the World Trade Center Towers following the 9/11 attacks. Several of the firm's New York office engineers were active participants in the effort led by the Structural Engineering Association of New York to adapt the ATC-20 method and survey forms for post-9/11 use in lower Manhattan. Key members of the WAI blast engineering staff led the investigation of the Bankers Trust Building for the FEMA/ASCE Building Performance Investigation Project.