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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attn: Document Control Desk  
Washington, D.C. 20555

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Re: Docket No. 99990001, File No. 184

Reply to a Notice of Violation

Acceliner does not contest that fact that it inadvertently caused a primary collimator from a Varian Clinac 6/100 linear accelerator to be transferred to Waste Management, Inc. in violation of 10CFR 40.51. This error occurred when an Acceliner employee placed a large piece of steel containing the primary collimator into the waste steel skip supplied by Waste Management, Inc. The primary collimator was to have been removed prior to the section's disposal. Waste Management, Inc. was not informed by any Acceliner employee that the transfer was made.

In order to insure that this error never reoccurs and to bring us into full compliance with 10CFR 40.25(a) Acceliner has significantly improved its depleted uranium (DU) handling and storage policies. These improvements include clear tagging, logging and tracking of all items containing DU, prominently displaying Acceliner's DU handling and storage policy, storage of all items containing DU in a designated and demarcated area, purchase of Bichron survey meter to enable far more sensitive site and waste surveys than in the past and the usage of a waste metal hauler that has agreed to independently survey our waste metal prior to its removal from our site.

Additionally, Acceliner now has an agreement with Starmet Corp. in Concord, MA. To accept most of its DU. This will considerably reduce the mass of DU on site and only to that which remains within larger assemblies such as complete linear accelerators or complete collimator assemblies. This exchange will occur within a few days. Acceliner will notify the NRC accordingly.

Full compliance can only be assured after a complete site survey is performed with the new meter. Receipt of that instrument is expected by December 15, 2000. Acceliner will be in full compliance with 10CFR 40.25(a) at that time. Until that time special care will be exercised to assure no improper transfers of DU occur.

Any questions or concerns regarding this matter should be directed to my attention.

Most respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Martin Shapiro".

Martin Shapiro PE

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