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Mr. Earl W. Fordham, Executive Director
Northwest Interstate Compact on Low-Level
Radioactive Waste Management
P.O. Box 47600
Olympia, WA 98504-7600

Dear Mr. Fordham:

SUBJECT: APPLICATIONS FOR NRC IMPORT (IW022/05) AND EXPORT (XW012/05)
LICENSE AMENDMENTS

Enclosed for your consideration are applications (Enclosures 1 and 2) to amend licenses IW22/05 and XW012/05 for the import and export of radioactive waste from/to Canada. The applications, dated June 27, 2016, were received by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) June 29, 2016 from Perma-Fix Northwest, Inc. We are sending analogous letters to Ms. Linda Walters of the Southeast Interstate Compact on Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management, Mr. Scott Anderson of the State of Utah, and Ms. Debra Shults of the State of Tennessee, for their consideration.

If issued, the license amendment will:

- 1) Change the point of contact from Paul Hickman to Curt Cannon;
- 2) Change the foreign suppliers name from Atomic Energy of Canada Limited to Canadian Nuclear Laboratories;
- 3) Remove reference to Waste Classification as defined in CFR 61.55 and reference to Table A2 values of 49 CFR 173.435 from the waste description; and
- 4) Change the date of expiration from September 30, 2017 to September 30, 2022.

Copies of the import and export applications were forwarded to the U.S. Department of State (DOS) on July 29, 2016, for assistance in notifying Canadian Government authorities of the amended proposal to import radioactive waste into the United States. *Federal Register* notices regarding these applications were published on August 8, 2016 (Enclosures 3 and 4).

It would be greatly appreciated if within three weeks of the date of this letter, you could respond with any comments you may have concerning the import license application, or if necessary, provide an estimate of how much additional time may be required to complete your review and provide a written response to NRC.

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We would welcome your response by e-mail or telefax, and request that you refer to NRC license application IW022/05 in your response. The NRC's point of contact for this matter, is Andrea Jones; her email address is Andrea.Jones2@nrc.gov and her telephone number is (301) 415-2309.

Sincerely,



Brooke G. Smith, Chief
Export Controls and Nonproliferation Branch
Office of International Programs

Enclosures:

1. Application Dated 6/27/16
IW022/05 - Canada
Docket Number 11005700
2. Application Dated 11/2/15
XW012/05 - Canada
Docket Number 11005699
3. *Federal Register* Notice
IW022/05
4. *Federal Register* Notice
XW012/05

cc w/encls:

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