

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of

PERMA-FIX NORTHWEST
RICHLAND, INC.

(Export of Low-Level Radioactive Waste)

Docket No. 11005986

License No. XW019

ORDER

In 2018, the Washington State Department of Ecology submitted a hearing request on the export license application (XW019) filed with the NRC by Perma-Fix Northwest Richland, Inc. (Perma-Fix).¹ Perma-Fix sought NRC approval for the return of Mexican-origin radioactive waste after processing and treatment at facilities in Washington and Tennessee.² On September 16, 2022, Perma-Fix requested to withdraw export license application XW019, and on September 26, 2022, the NRC staff acknowledged this withdrawal and returned the application to Perma-Fix without action.³

Because the export license application that is the subject of the hearing request is no longer pending, I *deny* the hearing request as moot and terminate this proceeding. In the event

¹ *Washington State Department of Ecology Request for Hearing regarding Perma-Fix Northwest Richland, Inc. Export License Application* (Dec. 7, 2018) (ADAMS accession no. ML18341A145). The application may be found at ML18257A028.

² *Perma-Fix Northwest Richland, Inc.*, 83 Fed. Reg. 53,666 (Oct. 24, 2018).

³ Letter from A. Jones, Office of International Programs, NRC, to R. Grondin, Perma-Fix, "Acknowledgment of Withdrawal of License Application XW019" (Sept. 26, 2022) (ML22273A126).

the license application is resubmitted in the future, the staff will publish a new notice in the *Federal Register*.⁴

This order is issued pursuant to my authority in 10 C.F.R. § 110.88.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

For the Commission



Richard J. Laufer, Acting
Secretary of the Commission

Dated at Rockville, Maryland,
this 18th day of November 2022

⁴ 10 C.F.R. § 110.70(b).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing **ORDER (Terminating the Proceeding)** have been served upon the following persons through the Electronic Information Exchange and by Electronic Mail (E-mail) to those names marked with an asterisk.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland,
this 18th day of November 2022