



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

June 29, 2021

Mr. Curt Cannon, VP/General Manager
PermaFix Northwest Richland, Inc.
2025 Battelle Boulevard
Richland, WA 99354

SUBJECT: PERMAFIX NORTHWEST RICHLAND, INC., LETTER OF INTENT

Dear Mr. Cannon:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter dated May 10, 2021 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession Number ML21162A053) to Chris Regan, Acting Division Director, Division of Fuel Management in which you notified the NRC of PermaFix Northwest Richland, Inc.'s (PermaFix) intent to pursue a Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 70 specific license application within 6 months of the intent letter, to possess and process special nuclear material at your mixed waste facility in Richland, WA.

We appreciate this advance information and will use it to plan our workload and develop an appropriate budget. Please note that NRC resources are provided by the U.S. Congress and the President. Initial planning for our budget request begins more than 2 years in advance. We will attempt to include pre-licensing discussions and license review activities to the extent we are able within appropriated resources.

The NRC staff looks forward to future discussions with you on this matter. The NRC point of contact for this Part 70 licensing activity is Jennifer Tobin. Jenny can be reached at 301-415-2328 or via email at Jennifer.Tobin@nrc.gov.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Agency Rules of Practice and Procedure," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public

Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records component of the NRC's ADAMS. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Sincerely,

Jacob I. Zimmerman, Chief
Fuel Facility Licensing Branch
Division of Fuel Management
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards

cc: K. Schwab
Washington Department of Health

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