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Nationally Renowned Attorney & Former Under Secretary of the Army Joins Perma-Fix Environmental Services' Board of Directors

ATLANTA, May 8 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Perma-Fix Environmental Services, Inc. (Nasdaq: PESI; Boston) (Germany: PES.BE) today announced the appointment of Mr. Joe R. Reeder to the company's Board of Directors. Mr. Reeder was appointed to fill a vacancy on the Board.

Mr. Reeder, 55, currently serves as Shareholder in Charge of the Mid- Atlantic Region for Greenberg Traurig LLP, an international law firm with 18 offices and 950 attorneys. Previously, Mr. Reeder served as Litigation Chair of Patton Boggs LLP. His clientele has included countries, international corporations, and law firms throughout the United States. Mr. Reeder also served for four years as the 14th Under Secretary of the Army, the second highest position in the Army. Mr. Reeder served for three years as Chairman of the Panama Canal Commission's Board of Directors where he oversaw a multibillion-dollar infrastructure program. He is a trustee of the Association of the United States Army, and frequent television commentator on military issues.

Dr. Louis F. Centofanti, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, stated, "Joe's impressive background, industry knowledge, and numerous accomplishments in both the public and private sectors make him an outstanding addition to our board. In addition to his extensive legal experience at one of the nation's leading law firms, Joe brings strong operational and financial expertise. As Under Secretary of the Army, Joe essentially served as the Army's chief operating officer, responsible for long-range planning, material requirements, readiness, acquisition reform, infrastructure reduction, and financial management. I look forward to working with Joe and believe he will bring a fresh perspective to our board."

Perma-Fix Environmental Services, Inc. is a national environmental services company, providing unique mixed waste and industrial waste management services. The Company has increased its focus on the nuclear services segment, which provides radioactive and mixed waste treatment services to hospitals, research laboratories and institutions, numerous federal agencies including the Departments of Energy and Defense and nuclear utilities. The industrial services segment provides hazardous and non-hazardous waste treatment services for a diverse group of customers including Fortune 500 companies, numerous federal, state and local agencies and thousands of smaller clients. The Company operates nine major waste treatment facilities across the country.

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