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Subject: Chiquita Canyon Landfill – Case No. 6177-4: Spill Report (Condition 27(e))

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All,

In accordance with Condition 27(e) of the Stipulated Order for Abatement in Case No. 6177-4, Chiquita Canyon, LLC (Chiquita) provides the following report of a leachate spill, based on Chiquita's current knowledge of the event:

(1) the date and time of the leak or spill

0. 0. The spill was discovered on March 17, 2025, at approximately 5:00 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected

1. 1. Leachate spilled from a hose attached to the B train in tank farm 7 in grid 239. Leachate from the spill did not leave the landfill footprint or reach a stormwater channel or either stormwater basin. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed the same day.

(3) the name of the person that discovered the leak or spill

2. 2. Matt Ruiz

(4) written acknowledgement that they did, or did not, take corrective action with rationale for these actions

0. 0. Upon discovering the spill, tank farm personnel immediately closed the secondary valve to the hose and added absorbent to the affected area. The absorbent was then removed from the area.

(5) a root cause analysis on why and how the leak or spill occurred

0. 0. Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, it appears that after a third-party transfer team was pulling liquids from the B train in tank farm 7, the third-party truck driver closed the primary valve on the pump but not the secondary valve to the hard line, and due to a mechanical error with the primary valve, a slow spill of liquids released from the hose.

(6) the estimated quantity of the leak or spill

1. 1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 10 gallons of untreated leachate spilled.

(7) corrective actions to prevent future recurrence

- * Tank farm personnel will be present while third-party transfer teams haul loads from the B train.

Regards,

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