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

**Importance:** Normal

**Sensitivity:** None

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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 28, 2025, at approximately 10:30 p.m.

(2) area designation inspected

1. 1. Treated leachate spilled from a third-party tanker truck in Grid 247. The treated leachate from the spill did not leave the landfill footprint and did not reach any stormwater channel or either stormwater basin.

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

2. 2. Paul Ramos

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

0. 0. Upon discovering the spill, Chiquita personnel immediately added absorbent to the affected area, and removed the soiled absorbent. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed the same day.

(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 the pressure release valve located on the trailer of a third-party tanker truck was in a closed position, which caused excess pressure to occur when clearing the hose of leachate after filling the tanker truck. The excess pressure then forced the treated leachate to spill from the top hatch of the trailer.

(6) the estimated quantity of the leak or spill

1. 1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 30 gallons of treated leachate spilled.

(7) corrective actions to prevent future recurrence

• \* Chiquita directed tank farm staff to ensure that all pressure relief valves are open on third-party trucks before drivers begin the filling process.

Regards,

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