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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 May 8, 2025, at approximately 10:30 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected

1. 1. Treated leachate spilled from a tank manifold in Grid 245. The leachate from the spill did not leave the footprint of the landfill 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. Luis Quinonez

(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 closed the valve on the tank to stop liquid from flowing.

(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, at the beginning of filling a haul truck, a tank farm staff member opened the wrong valve on the frac tank which allowed leachate to flow into the front manifold and spill onto the ground.

(6) the estimated quantity of the leak or spill

1. 1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 3 gallons of treated leachate spilled.

(7) corrective actions to clean and/or remove the leak or spill

- * Chiquita personnel applied absorbent to the impacted area, and then removed the absorbent and contaminated soil and applied clean soil to the area. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed the same day.

(8) corrective actions implemented or to be implemented, including an estimated timeline, to prevent future recurrence

- * Chiquita tank farm personnel will be retrained on tank farm related standard operating procedures by May 13,

2025.

(9) the type of affiliation of the operator involved in the root cause

- * Chiquita tank farm employees.

(10) whether any individuals involved in the root cause had previously received training on applicable operations to avoid leaks or spills

- * Chiquita tank farm personnel have been trained on applicable operations to avoid leaks and spills, including tank farm related standard operating procedures.

(11) the number of times individuals involved in the root cause had previously been involved in the root cause of a leachate leak or spill

- * No individuals involved in the root cause had previously been involved in the root cause of a leachate leak or spill.

Regards,

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