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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 leak, based on Chiquita's current knowledge of the event:

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

- 0. 0. The leak was discovered on May 30, 2025, at approximately 3:41 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- 0. 0. Characteristically non-hazardous leachate leaked from a haul truck in grid 95. The leak did not reach the stormwater channel or either stormwater basin. All of the leachate was contained within the secondary containment.

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

- 1. 1. Kevin Wilson.

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

- 0. 0. Upon discovering the leak, Chiquita tank farm staff immediately closed the valve to the tank.

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

- 0. 0. Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, while in the process of filling the third-party haul truck, the ball valve, which is used to control the flow of liquid from the tank, became stuck in the open position causing characteristically non-hazardous leachate to leak from the truck into the secondary containment area.

(6) the estimated quantity of the leak or spill;

- 1. 1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 40 gallons of characteristically non-hazardous leachate leaked from the truck.

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

- 0. 0. A vacuum truck vacuumed the standing liquid within the secondary containment. Chiquita personnel then applied absorbent to the remainder of the area impacted by the leak. The absorbent was then removed. 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;

0. 0. Chiquita replaced the ball valve on the manifold.

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

1. 1. There were no individuals involved in the root cause of this leak.

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

2. 2. Chiquita does not provide training to third-party truck drivers; however, Chiquita tank farm personnel have been trained on applicable operations to avoid leaks and spills.

(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.

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

Regards,

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