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**Re:** Chiquita Canyon, LLC Monthly Summary Report – May 2025  
DTSC Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Determination and Order  
In the Matter of Chiquita Canyon Landfill, Docket No. HSA-FY24/25-082

Dear Mr. Ziarkowski and Mr. Ruttan:

Per the Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Determination and Order issued by the Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) to Chiquita Canyon, LLC (Chiquita) on April 2, 2025 (the Order), Chiquita submits this Monthly Summary Report for May 2025. Chiquita provides the following information in accordance with section 6.3 of the Order.

(a) Specific actions taken by or on behalf of Respondents during the previous calendar month:

Chiquita submitted the draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for Extension of Covered Area on May 16, 2025, and the draft RAW for Interim Relocation and Stabilization of Containerized Waste on May 9, 2025, in accordance with the extensions approved by DTSC in April. In addition to these submittals, Chiquita continued to place soil in the Cell 8B area for the interim relocation of Tank Farm 9 and continued to implement other activities in furtherance of the Order. Additionally, Chiquita's consultant, SCS Engineers, prepared a Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) Report for the construction of the soil barrier on the interim waste slope at the Chiquita Canyon Landfill (Landfill). Chiquita submitted this CQA to DTSC on May 13, 2025, pursuant to section 5.1.2(c) of the Order.

Chiquita also performed the following activities during the month of May, in furtherance of the draft RAWs it submitted in May 2025, pursuant to section 5.1.2 of the Order:

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- Chiquita identified and sourced materials for the geomembrane cover and shared its plans with DTSC to order the materials once DTSC provided its written approval. After additional email correspondence between Chiquita and DTSC regarding the geomembrane cover material, DTSC provided written approval of the cover material on June 2, 2025.
- As discussed above, Chiquita continued placing soils in Cell 8B in preparation for the interim relocation of Tank Farm 9 and ordered the liner materials that are expected to be installed starting in June. Chiquita also provided DTSC soil sample results from Cell 8B on May 7 and 20, 2025, in response to DTSC's requests.
- Chiquita and DTSC continued to hold weekly technical status meetings. These meetings were held on May 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2025.

Additionally, on May 2, 2025, Chiquita submitted a monthly summary report for April 2025 in accordance with section 6.3 of the Order, and on May 13, 2025, provided a copy of the Order to new subcontractors retained to perform work under the Order, in accordance with section 6.25 of the Order.

### (b) Actions expected to be undertaken during the current calendar month:

Chiquita ordered DTSC-approved geomembrane cover material on June 2, 2025, to extend the existing cover on the top deck of the Landfill. Chiquita finished placement of approximately 260,000 cy of soil in Cell 8B for the tank farm as of June 3, 2025. Chiquita expects to begin to line the interim tank farm in Cell 8B and place frac tanks into the new tank farm later this month. In addition, Chiquita will continue to work on obtaining permits for the interim relocation of Tank Farm 9 in Cell 8B and the permanent relocation of Tank Farm 9 in the unused area that was to be Cell 7. In preparation for the deployment of the additional geomembrane cover material, Chiquita will be drilling vertical gas extraction wells and preparing the subgrade for the placement of liner. Chiquita also expects to continue to participate in weekly technical status meetings with DTSC during June.

### (c) All planned activities for the next month:

During the month of July, Chiquita expects to finish the placement of the liner in Cell 8B for the interim relocation of the tank farm. Chiquita also expects to continue to prepare the areas on the top deck for the placement of the additional geomembrane cover and, depending on the timing of the delivery of this material, expects to begin placement of the material. In addition, Chiquita expects to submit a draft RAW in further response to section 5.1.2(c) of the Order, and to submit a monthly summary report for June 2025 pursuant to section 6.3.

### (d) Any requirements under this Order that were not completed:

Chiquita completed all requirements under this Order for May.

### (e) Any problems or anticipated problems in complying with this Order:

Chiquita notified DTSC on June 11, 2025, verbally and in writing, that the new geomembrane cover material is expected to arrive on site in approximately 6-8 weeks and that the current condition of the manufacturing equipment is causing certain areas of the cover to have thicker than typical texture, but that the manufacturer has assured Chiquita that this additional thickness

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will not interfere with the product performing as a gas barrier as designed nor otherwise affect its performance. Chiquita does not anticipate any problems with completing the work described in the draft RAW for Extension of Covered Area in accordance with the schedule set forth in section 3.2 of that RAW.


- (f) All results of sample analyses, test, and other data generated under this Order during the previous calendar month, and any significant findings from these data:

During the month of May, Chiquita submitted soil compaction results for the soil placed in Cell 8B in furtherance of the interim relocation of Tank Farm 9 on May 7, 2025. Chiquita followed up with a summary of the soil compaction results on June 3, 2025, in response to questions received from DTSC. No other sample analyses or other data were generated under this Order during the month of May.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at (346) 807-5547 or [Kate.Logan@WasteConnections.com](mailto:Kate.Logan@WasteConnections.com).

Sincerely,



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