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

**Importance:** Normal

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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 June 12, 2025, at approximately 4:45 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- 0. 0. Treated leachate spilled from a third-party haul truck onto the outbound scale outside of the scale house. The spill did not reach the stormwater channel or either stormwater basin.

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

- 1. 1. Bill Thayer.

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

- 0. 0. Upon discovering the spill, the loose cap on the end of the hose from the scrubber on the third-party haul truck was tightened.

(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 as a third-party haul truck drove down the hill to the scale house and leveled out, a loose cap on the end of the hose from the scrubber on the haul truck caused treated leachate to spill from the hose onto the outbound scale outside of the scale house. This was a driver error.

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

- 1. 1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 1 gallon of treated leachate spilled from the truck onto the scale.

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

- 0. 0. Mr. Thayer and Chiquita personnel applied absorbent to the area impacted by the spill. 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 tank farm staff will ensure all caps are properly secured onto the hoses of the trucks.

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

1. 1. A third-party truck hauler was involved in the root cause of this spill.

(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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