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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;

- * The spill was discovered on June 16, 2025, at approximately 10:15 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- * Treated leachate spilled from a pressure release valve on the trailer of a third-party haul truck in grid 245. The spill did not leave the landfill footprint and did not reach the stormwater channel or either stormwater basin.

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

- * Carlos Razo.

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

- * Upon discovering the spill, Chiquita personnel stopped the air that was being used to clear leachate from the hose and then applied absorbent to the spilled liquid.

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

- * Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, it appears that while using air to clear leachate from the hose attached to the tanker, a mechanical issue occurred with the pressure release valve on the tanker, which kept the valve from closing properly, resulting in a release of leachate to the ground in Tank Farm 7.

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

- * Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 5 gallons of treated leachate spilled from the hose.

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

- * Chiquita tank farm staff directed the third-party hauler to clean all pressure release valves and baffles on its tanker.

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

- * 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

- * 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.

- * 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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