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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, based on its current knowledge of the event, Chiquita Canyon, LLC (Chiquita) provides the following report detailing a spill of treated non-hazardous leachate spill:

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

0. 0. The spill was discovered on June 27, 2025, at approximately 12:10 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

0. 0. Treated non-hazardous leachate spilled from a fitting connected to a leachate treatment line in grid 247, located within Tank Farm 7. 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;

1. 1. Kevin Wilson and Matt Ruiz

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

0. 0. Upon discovering the spill, Chiquita tank farm personnel immediately closed the valve connected to the leachate treatment line to stop the flow of leachate.

(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 a third-party haul truck struck the fitting connected to the leachate treatment line while backing up to load the leachate. The impact of the collision caused the fitting to break and spill treated non-hazardous leachate. This was driver error.

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

1. 1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 25 gallons of treated non-hazardous leachate spilled from the broken fitting.

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

0. 0. Chiquita tank farm personnel promptly applied absorbent to the area impacted by the spill. The absorbent was then removed and placed in the roll-off container for non-hazardous cleanup materials, and fresh soil was added.

Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 35 minutes.

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

0. 0. Moving forward, Chiquita tank farm staff will guide third-party haul trucks in the tank farms, at all times.

(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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