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California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Los Angeles Region
320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, California 90013
ATTN: Information Technology Unit

**Subject: Leachate Leak Report
Chiquita Canyon Landfill
File No. 67-020**

Out of an abundance of caution and in an effort to be transparent, Chiquita Canyon, LLC (“Chiquita”) voluntarily provides the following information regarding an incident that occurred on September 2, 2025 at the Chiquita Canyon Landfill, during which no more than one-half (0.5) gallons of hazardous leachate from group B (collected from tank 31 located in Tank Farm 7) leaked outside of the landfill’s footprint. The leak did not reach the stormwater channel or either stormwater basin. The volume of the leak is a conservative estimate based on visual observation by Chiquita staff. Chiquita maintains appropriate response materials, including fully stocked spill kits, and has trained staff on site to respond to spills and leaks to prevent liquids from entering the stormwater system.

i. Map - A map showing the location(s) of leakage.

The leak occurred on the road leading to the exit of the landfill and onto the outbound scale, as indicated in Attachment A.

ii. Flow rate - An estimate of the flow rate.

The leak had a low flow rate.

iii. Description - A description of the nature of the discharge (e.g., all pertinent observations and analyses).

On September 2, 2025, at approximately 11:00 a.m., to the best of Chiquita’s knowledge, it appears that the leak occurred after a third-party truck driver finished filling their truck. Although the third-party truck driver fully secured the top hatch of their trailer, the seal was worn through on the back end of the top hatch, thereby allowing liquid to leak from the hatch when the truck descended toward the outbound scale exit. Chiquita attributes this leak to equipment malfunction associated

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with a third-party driver. The manifest number associated with the release is 020750486FLE. The liquid was dark brown in color with low viscosity, and traveled as a light trickle.

iv. Location – Location of sample(s) collected for laboratory analysis, as appropriate.

No sampling of this leak was conducted.

v. Corrective measures – approved (or proposed for consideration) by the Regional Board Executive Officer.

Chiquita personnel took prompt action to address the leak by applying absorbent to the affected area. Chiquita personnel then removed the soiled absorbent and placed it into a container used for hazardous waste. Cleanup was completed on the same day and took approximately one hour to complete. To prevent similar leaks in the future, Chiquita personnel will continue to verify that the top hatch of third-party haul trucks are closed before trucks are allowed to leave the tank farm. Chiquita also requests that third-party drivers complete inspections of their trailers in an attempt to prevent similar leaks.

If you should have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact me at (661) 257-3655.

Sincerely,
Chiquita Canyon, LLC

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Chiquita Canyon Landfill

Attachments: Attachment A – Map depicting the location of the leak

