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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 leak of hazardous leachate associated with Group B from a malfunctioning valve on Tank 30 in Tan Farm 7:

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

0. The leak was discovered on September 15, 2025, at approximately 9:00 p.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

0. Hazardous leachate leaked from Tank 30 in Tank Farm 7, located within grid 240. The leak 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. Robert Aguilar

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

0. Upon discovering the leak, Chiquita personnel immediately utilized a third-party vacuum truck to draw liquid down from the tank to isolate and repair the faulty valve. All liquid was sent for treatment in the granular activated carbon unit.

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

0. Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, it appears that there was a mechanical issue with the valve on Tank 30, which caused liquid to leak from the tank onto the ground in Tank Farm 7. Chiquita attributes this leak to equipment malfunction.

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

1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 10 gallons of hazardous leachate associated with group B leaked from the valve on Tank 30.

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

1. In addition to the measures discussed above, Chiquita staff promptly applied absorbent to the impacted area. The

absorbent was removed and placed into a container for hazardous waste, and fresh soil was added. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within 3 hours.

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

0. Chiquita will continue to check tank manifolds and valves to minimize the potential for spills or leaks.

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

1. No individuals were involved in the root cause of this leak.

(10) whether any individuals involved in the root cause had previously received training on applicable operations to avoid leaks or spills; and

2. No individuals were involved in the root cause of this leak; however, Chiquita 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 were involved in the root cause of this leak.

Regards,

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