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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 characteristically non-hazardous leachate associated with Group C, Tank D9 (Tank Farm 10), from the pressure release valve on the top of a third-party haul truck located in grid 97:

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

0. The spill was discovered on October 20, 2025, at approximately 1:15 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

0. Characteristically non-hazardous leachate associated with Group C spilled from the pressure release valve on the top of a third-party haul truck in grid 97. Liquid from 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. Chris Arciga

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

0. Upon discovering the spill, the third-party driver closed the valve on the tanker to stop the filling process and Chiquita's tank farm staff used absorbent to build a berm to prevent the spilled leachate from spreading.

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

0. Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, it appears while filling his truck, a third-party truck driver did not review the gauge on his truck in a timely manner. As a result, leachate spilled from the pressure release valve on the top of the truck's trailer. Chiquita attributes this spill to third-party driver error.

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

1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 10 gallons of characteristically non-hazardous leachate associated with Group C, Tank D9 (Tank Farm 10), with a manifest number of CCL005698-M, spilled from the third-party haul truck.

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

1. After stopping the flow of liquid, Chiquita promptly used a vacuum truck to remove all standing liquid from the area impacted by the spill. The collected liquid was then sent for treatment through the granular activated carbon treatment unit. Chiquita personnel then applied absorbent to the remaining areas impacted by the spill and collected and placed the soiled absorbent into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within one hour.

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

2. Chiquita personnel will use best efforts to verify that third-party drivers are continuously watching their gauges during the filling process.

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

0. A third-party driver 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

1. Chiquita does not provide training to third-party truck drivers; 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 involved in the root cause of this spill have previously been involved in the root cause of a leachate leak or spill.

Thank you,

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