



CHIQUITA CANYON

A Waste Connections Company

November 26, 2025

Via E-Mail

Mr. David Nguyen
Los Angeles County Public Works
900 S. Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, CA 91803
dnguyen@pw.lacounty.gov

Re: Chiquita Canyon Landfill – CUP Condition No. 69 Report

Dear Mr. Nguyen:

Condition 69 of Chiquita Canyon, LLC's ("Chiquita") Conditional Use Permit ("CUP") requires that, upon receiving four Notices of Violation ("NOVs") related to air quality in a given calendar year, Chiquita must submit a report to Los Angeles County Public Works ("PW") within 30 days after the fourth NOV, explaining the NOV and the steps taken to address it. Chiquita must also provide such a report within 30 days of receiving any additional air quality related NOV within the same calendar year.

In 2025, the South Coast Air Quality Management District ("South Coast AQMD") issued Chiquita NOVs for violations of South Coast AQMD Rule 402 and California Health & Safety Code ("HSC") § 41700, triggering Chiquita's obligation to provide a report under CUP Condition 69. Chiquita submitted reports on February 28, April 4, May 7, June 6, July 11, August 22, September 24, and October 24, 2025. Since the submission of the October 24 report, South Coast AQMD issued Chiquita nine additional Rule 402 NOVs for violations alleged to have occurred in October and November 2025. These NOVs are provided in Attachment A.¹

On November 18, 2025, Chiquita received a Summary of Violations ("SOV") from the California Department of Toxic Substances Control ("DTSC") alleging violations of 22 California Code of Regulations ("CCR") §§ 66262.251, 66262.23(a), and 66262.17(a)(5), and HSC § 25189.2(a). This SOV is provided in Attachment B.

¹ The NOV numbers and dates of the alleged violations are as follows: NOV P65810 (October 27, 2025); NOV P68889 (November 3, 2025); NOV P82452 (November 4, 2025); NOV P68890 (November 5, 2025); NOV P68891 (November 6, 2025); NOV P68892 (November 10, 2025); NOV P75575 (November 12, 2025); NOV P77696 (November 18, 2025); and NOV P75576 (November 19, 2025).

South Coast AQMD Rule 402 NOVs – Explanation and Corrective Action

A discussion of the South Coast AQMD Rule 402 NOVs, along with corrective actions taken by Chiquita in response to the NOVs, is provided below.

Explanation

These NOVs were issued after a South Coast AQMD inspector verified complaints about odors alleged to be coming from the Chiquita Canyon Landfill (“Landfill”). The NOVs are substantively the same as prior NOVs issued by South Coast AQMD that were addressed in Chiquita’s prior CUP Condition 69 reports. The source of the odors is the same as described in those reports: any odors coming from the Chiquita Canyon Landfill are related to an abnormal biotic or abiotic process (also known as a landfill reaction) taking place deep within a lined, but older and inactive portion of the Landfill waste mass.

Corrective Action

Chiquita provided detailed descriptions of corrective actions taken to mitigate the reaction and any odors emanating from the Landfill in its prior CUP Condition 69 reports. While Chiquita does not repeat information provided in the earlier reports in this report, it continues to take the actions listed in those reports. The corrective actions described in this section include only new measures taken since the last update.

South Coast AQMD Stipulated Order: Under the Stipulated Order for Abatement with South Coast AQMD (Case No. 6177-4) issued on September 6, 2023, and modified on January 17, March 21, April 24, August 27, November 13, 2024, April 16, 2025, and June 24, 2025 (“Stipulated Order”), Chiquita has implemented the following additional mitigation measures related to addressing odors:

- As of November 21, 2025, Chiquita has a total of 146 pumps operating in vertical landfill gas extraction wells.
- As of November 21, 2025, Chiquita has a total of 315 installed and operational vertical landfill gas wells.

Chiquita submits status updates on its compliance with the modified Stipulated Order in its Condition 8 monthly reports to South Coast AQMD. These reports are posted on Chiquita’s Odor Mitigation website (<https://chiquitacanyon.com/odor-mitigation/>). More detailed information on Chiquita’s implementation of and compliance with the modified Stipulated Order is available on Chiquita’s website.

United States Environmental Protection Agency Unilateral Administrative Order: On February 21, 2024, Chiquita received a Unilateral Administrative Order (“UAO”) from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (“US EPA”) requiring Chiquita to submit workplans for its

existing and future efforts to address the reaction and any impacts and conduct additional work to address the reaction. Most recently, Chiquita has implemented the following requirements from the US EPA UAO related to addressing odors:

- On October 3, 2025, Chiquita submitted a revised Cover Installation Plan as part of the Master Work Plan.
- On October 7, 2025, Chiquita submitted a revised Air Monitoring Plan as part of the Master Work Plan.

More information on Chiquita's implementation of the US EPA UAO is available on Chiquita's website.

Local Enforcement Agency Compliance Orders: On June 6, 2024, the Local Enforcement Agency ("LEA") issued Chiquita a Compliance Order ("2024 Compliance Order"), formalizing CalRecycle-recommended mitigation measures that had previously been imposed by the LEA as well as a few additional requirements. On May 1, 2025, the LEA issued Chiquita another Compliance Order ("2025 Compliance Order"), requiring Chiquita to implement additional mitigation measures to address the reaction. Chiquita has implemented the following additional requirements from the LEA's 2024 and 2025 Compliance Orders related to addressing odors:

- As of November 14, 2025, Chiquita has installed approximately 716,077 square feet of the EVOH/HDPE geomembrane cover.

More detailed information on Chiquita's implementation of the LEA's 2024 and 2025 Compliance Orders is available on Chiquita's website.

DTSC Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Determination and Order: On April 2, 2025, Chiquita received an Imminent and Substantial Endangerment Determination and Order dated April 1, 2025 ("ISE Order") from DTSC requiring Chiquita to engage in three removal actions designed to further mitigate the reaction. Chiquita has implemented the following additional requirements from the DTSC ISE Order related to addressing odors:

- On October 3, 2025, Chiquita submitted a revised draft Removal Action Workplan ("RAW") for the extension of covered area. Chiquita received comments from DTSC on this RAW on October 15, 2025, and submitted a draft Master Schedule and a response to DTSC's comments on November 21, 2025.

More detailed information on Chiquita's implementation of the DTSC ISE Order is available on Chiquita's website.

Enhanced community air monitoring program: As described in prior reports, Chiquita has enhanced its current air monitoring program in coordination with the County Department of Public Health. Data and reports can be found on Chiquita's Odor Mitigation website. The most recent reports were submitted on November 15 and 21, 2025. Chiquita has also established a

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Chiquita Canyon Landfill Community Air Monitoring Program Webpage:
<https://chiquitacanyon.com/reports/community-air-monitoring-program/>. This webpage contains the most recent 1-hour average data for hydrogen sulfide and methane, as well as the average wind speed and direction for the same time period, for twelve community air monitoring stations.

DTSC SOV – Explanation and Corrective Action

On November 18, 2025, Chiquita received an SOV from DTSC alleging violations of 22 CCR §§ 66262.251, 66262.23(a), and 66262.17(a)(5), and HSC § 25189.2(a). The SOV specifically alleges that Chiquita: (1) “failed to minimize the possibility of a release of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents to air, soil or surface water which could threaten human health or the environment”; (2) “failed to properly complete hazardous waste manifests for hazardous waste condensate”; and (3) “failed to properly label tanks containing hazardous waste leachate.”

Chiquita is still evaluating and understanding the alleged violations and will provide further explanation and corrective action in follow-up reporting.

Please contact me should you have any questions about this report.

Sincerely,

Kate Logan

Kate Logan
Senior Remediation Project Manager
Chiquita Canyon, LLC

Attachment: A – South Coast AQMD Rule 402 and HSC § 41700 NOVs
B – DTSC SOV

cc: Karlo Manalo, Public Works
Steven Jareb, Department of Regional Planning
Alex Garcia, Department of Regional Planning
Phillip Chen, Department of Regional Planning
Eric Morofuji, Department of Public Health
Mark Como, Department of Public Health
Karen Gork, Department of Public Health
John Perkey, Chiquita Canyon
Amanda Froman, Chiquita Canyon

ATTACHMENT A



NOTICE OF VIOLATION

DATE OF VIOLATION

Month: 10	Day: 27	Year: 25
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Facility Name: <i>Chiquita Canyon Landfill</i>		Facility ID#: <i>119219</i>	Sector: <i>VB</i>
Location Address: <i>29201 Henry Mayo Dr</i>		City: <i>Costa Mesa</i>	Zip: <i>91384</i>
Mailing Address: <i>29201 Henry Mayo Dr</i>		City: <i>Costa Mesa</i>	Zip: <i>91384</i>

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DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATIONS

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2	<input type="checkbox"/> SCAQMD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CH&SC <input type="checkbox"/> CCR <input type="checkbox"/> CFR	41700			Discharging such quantities of air contaminants to cause injury, detriment, nuisance or annoyance to a considerable number of persons
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Served To: <i>Steve Cassulo</i>	Phone: <i>661 371 9214</i>	Served By: <i>Aaron Neuhouser</i>	Date Notice Served: <i>10/27/25</i>
Title: <i>District Manager</i>	Email:	Phone No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 909-396-2513 <input type="checkbox"/> 310-233-	Email: <i>aneuhouser @ aqmd.gov</i>

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DATE OF VIOLATION		
Month	Day	Year
11	03	2025

Facility Name: Chiquita Canyon Landfill		Facility ID: 119218	Sector: UB
Location Address: 29201 Henry Mayo Dr		City: Castaic	Zip: 91384
Mailing Address: 29201 Henry Mayo Dr		City: Castaic	Zip: 91384

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Served To: Steve Cassola	Phone: 661-371-9214	Served By: Daniel Rosas	Date Notice Served: 11/03/2025
Title: District Manager	Email: steve.c@wastconnections.com	Phone No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 909-396-2080 <input type="checkbox"/> 310-233-	Email: drozas@aqmd.gov

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Run Date : 11/4/2025 11:05:02

Company

Facility: CHIQUITA CANYON LLC (ID: 119219)
Location Address: 29201 HENRY MAYO, DR CASTAIC, CA 91384
Mailing Address: 29201 HENRY MAYO, DR CASTAIC, CA 91384
AIRS ID: 06037CJ509

Violation

Notice Issued Date: 11/4/2025
Violation Date: 11/4/2025
Serve To: STEVEN CASSULO
Title: DISTRICT MANAGER
Issue By: DANIEL DELROSARIO (Team: S)
Assignment No.: 2285551
Equipment: annoyance to a considerable number of persons
Description:

Violation: R402 _ for discharging such quantities of air contaminants to cause injury, detriment, nuisance or annoyance to a considerable number of persons, CH&SC 41700 _ for discharging such quantities of air contaminants to cause injury, detriment, nuisance or

Disposition

Final Action Code:
Achieved Date:
Due Date:
Violation Days:

Rule/Comment

402 For discharging such quantities of air contaminants to cause injury, detriment,
41700 For discharging such quantities of air contaminants to cause injury, detriment,

Emittent

Follow-Up

Status: PENDING Inspector ID: DD06 Inspection Date: Number:

Lap Sample Numbers

Device IDs.

Inspector Comment

INSPECTOR: _____
signature

DATE: _____

SUPERVISOR: _____
signature

DATE: _____

User ID: ddelrosa



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DATE OF VIOLATION		
Month	Day	Year
11	05	2025

Facility Name: Chiquita Canyon Landfill		Facility ID: 119219	Sector: VB
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DATE OF VIOLATION		
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11	06	2025

Facility Name: Chiquita Canyon Landfill	Facility ID: 119219	Sector: VB
Location Address: 29201 Henry Mayo Dr	City: Castaic	Zip: 91384
Mailing Address: 29201 Henry Mayo Dr	City: Castaic	Zip: 91384

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Title: District Manager	Email: skipca@wgsconnectors.com	Phone No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 909-396-2080 <input type="checkbox"/> 310-233-	Email: dro595@aquad.gov

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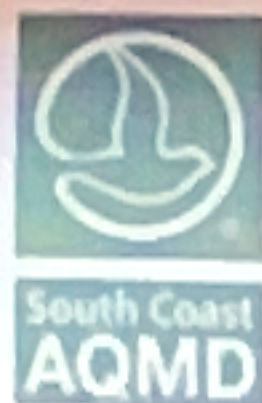
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11	10	2025

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Location Address: 29201 Henry Mayo Dr		City: Castaic	Zip: 91384
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Title: District Manager	Email: SteveCa@wasteconnections.com	Phone No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 909-396-2080 <input type="checkbox"/> 310-233-	Email: droasas@aqmd.gov

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Served To: Steve Cassulo	Phone: 661.371.9214	Served By: Vincent Mota	Date Notice Served: 11/12/2025
Title: District Manager	Email: steven.cassulo@wasteconnections.com	Phone No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 909-396-3537 <input type="checkbox"/> 310-233-	Email: vmota @ aqmd.gov

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11	18	2025

Facility Name: CHUQUITA CANYON LANDFILL		Facility ID: 119219	Sector: VB
Location Address: 29201 HENRY MAYO DRIVE		City: CASTAIC	Zip: 91384
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Title: DISTRICT MANAGER	Email: steve.ca@wasteconnections.com	Phone No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 909-396-2110 <input type="checkbox"/> 310-233-	Email: hcampos@aqmd.gov	
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11	19	2025

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Mailing Address:	29201 Henry Mayo Dr.	City:	Castaic	Zip:	91384

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DESCRIPTION OF VIOLATIONS

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1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SCAQMD <input type="checkbox"/> CH&SC <input type="checkbox"/> CCR <input type="checkbox"/> CFR	402			For discharging such quantities of air contaminants to cause injury, detriment, nuisance, or annoyance to a considerable number of persons
2	<input type="checkbox"/> SCAQMD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CH&SC <input type="checkbox"/> CCR <input type="checkbox"/> CFR	41700			
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5	<input type="checkbox"/> SCAQMD <input type="checkbox"/> CH&SC <input type="checkbox"/> CCR <input type="checkbox"/> CFR				

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*Key to Authority Abbreviations:

SCAQMD - South Coast Air Quality Management District
CCR - California Code of Regulations

CH&SC - California Health and Safety Code
CFR - Code of Federal Regulations

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ATTACHMENT B



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SUMMARY OF VIOLATIONS

On and/or before November 18, 2025, the California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), reviewed documentation related to:

Facility Name: Chiquita Canyon, LLC; Chiquita Canyon, Inc.; Waste Connections US, Inc.

Facility Address: 29201 Henry Mayo Dr., Castaic, CA 91384

EPA ID Number: CAL000347030, CAR000381574 **County:** Los Angeles

As a result of DTSC's investigation, DTSC discovered violations of the California Hazardous Waste Control Law (HWCL) and its implementing regulations that are identified on the attached pages. You must correct the following violations within the schedule for compliance for each violation. If you disagree with the alleged violations listed in this Summary of Violations, you must inform DTSC in writing. If additional violations existed or have existed which are not included in this Summary of Violations, such violations, if any, may be the subject of an amended or separate Summary of Violations and DTSC reserves all rights with respect to such violations.

You may request a meeting with DTSC to discuss the investigation or this Summary of Violations. The issuance of this Summary of Violations does not preclude DTSC from taking administrative and/or civil action or from referring the matter for criminal prosecution as a result of the violations identified herein or violations that have not been corrected within the time specified by DTSC. Failure to comply with a schedule for compliance, including without limitation the schedule of compliance in this Summary of Violations, is a violation of the law and is subject to a civil penalty of up to \$70,000 for each day of noncompliance. In addition, a false statement that compliance has been achieved is a violation of the law and is subject to a penalty of up to \$70,000 for each occurrence. DTSC may re-investigate this facility at any time.

Facility Representative Accepting
Summary of Violations

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

DTSC Representative

Name: Erin Neal

Signature: *Erin Neal*

Title: Senior Environmental Scientist

Date: 11/18/2025



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SUMMARY OF VIOLATIONS

Facility Name: Chiquita Canyon, LLC; Chiquita Canyon, Inc;
Waste Connections US, Inc. **Date:** 11/18/2025

SECTION I: NON-MINOR VIOLATIONS AND REQUIRED CORRECTIVE ACTION

You must correct the following violations within the specified time frame for each violation.

Violation # 1

Violation Citation:

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 22, § 66262.251, A large quantity generator shall maintain and operate its facility to minimize the possibility of a fire, explosion, or any unplanned sudden or non-sudden release of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents to air, soil, or surface water which could threaten human health or the environment.

Relevant Citations:

HSC § 25189.2(b), Except as provided in subdivision (c) or (d), a person who violates a provision of this chapter or a permit, rule, regulation, standard, or requirement issued or adopted pursuant to this chapter, is liable for a civil penalty not to exceed seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) for each violation of a separate provision or, for continuing violations, for each day that the violation continues.

Description:

On and/or before November 18, 2025, CCL failed to minimize the possibility of a release of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents to air, soil or surface water which could threaten human health or the environment. The accounts of these incidents are described in reports posted on CCL's website (<https://chiquitacanyon.com/odor-mitigation/>), email notifications sent by CCL to DTSC, and the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) Spill Release Reporting Dashboard (attached to this SOV as Exhibit A).

The individual releases that form the basis for this Violation #1 are attached as counts 1 – 27 in Exhibit B.



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Violation Classification:

These are class 1 violations.

Compliance Requirement:

CCL shall operate its facility in a manner that minimizes the possibility of a sudden or non-sudden release of hazardous waste or hazardous waste constituents.

Within 30 days of this SOV, CCL shall develop and submit a written plan that describes the efforts that CCL takes to operate its facility in a manner that minimizes the possibility of the release of hazardous waste and hazardous waste constituents. CCL shall assess the releases documented in this SOV and include in the written plan a description of current and future measures that CCL will implement to prevent releases of hazardous waste and hazardous waste constituents. CCL's current and future measures shall include, but are not limited to, process improvements for minimizing releases involving human errors (including third-party contractors), leachate management system design, pipe maintenance/construction, trucks, equipment malfunctions/failures, and releases involving pipes, tanks, wells, sumps, and pumps.

CCL's written response to prior violations involving releases referenced the Leachate Management Plan under US EPA's Unilateral Administrative Order. For this compliance requirement, reference to the Leachate Management Plan or materials prepared for other agencies is not an adequate response.

Violation # 2

Violation Citation:

HSC 25189.2(a), A person who makes a false statement or representation in an application, label, manifest, record, report, permit, or other document filed, maintained, or used for purposes of compliance with this chapter, is liable for a civil penalty not to exceed seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) for each separate violation or, for continuing violations, for each day that the violation continues.

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 22, § 66262.23(a), The generator of any hazardous or extremely hazardous waste to be transported off-site or into California shall:

- (1) complete the generator and waste section and sign the manifest certification according to the Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest, EPA Form 8700-22 and EPA Form 8700-22A) and instructions; and

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(6) The EPA hazardous waste number, if applicable, can be found in chapter 11, articles 3 and 4 and the California Hazardous Waste Code Number can be found in chapter 11, Appendix XII.

Description:

On and/or before October 27, 2025, CCL failed to properly complete hazardous waste manifests for hazardous waste condensate. Specifically, CCL incorrectly identified hazardous waste code D018 (benzene) and failed to include hazardous waste codes D004 (arsenic) and/or D038 (pyridine) on hazardous waste manifests used for off-site shipment and disposal of hazardous waste condensate.

CCL stated that condensate is generated from the landfill gas collection system, accumulates in a knockout pot prior to the flare station, and drains to Tanks T1/T2. According to CCL's records, Tanks 68, 69, 190, T1, and T2 have accumulated condensate in 2025. CCL stated that condensate is not treated on-site and is shipped off-site by tanker truck as hazardous waste.

CCL has provided a Waste Stream Documentation Form (Form), with sample results from February 2024, as its waste determination for Ameresco Condensate. The hazardous waste codes listed in the Form include federal waste codes D001 (ignitability), D004 (arsenic), and D018 (benzene). The analytical results that are attached to the Form show condensate to exceed regulatory thresholds (RT) for arsenic (RT: 5.0 mg/L), 2-butanone or methyl ethyl ketone (MEK) (RT: 200.0 mg/L), pyridine (RT: 5.0 mg/L), and flash point (RT: <140 °F). The analytical results provided do not show benzene exceedances in condensate. Federal waste codes D035 (MEK) and D038 (pyridine) are not listed on the Form. The waste profile number listed on the Form for Ameresco Condensate is CH2712208.

On October 27, 2025, CCL provided two waste profiles for condensate, CH2712208EL-1 and CH2909598, dated June 19, 2024 and March 12, 2025, respectively. The federal waste code listed in the waste profiles includes D018 (benzene). Both profiles check arsenic as a constituent that is "Not Applicable" and do not include an expected concentration for pyridine. The profiles do not list arsenic or pyridine as part of the waste composition, which is inconsistent with the information in CCL's Waste Stream Documentation Form.

On October 27, 2025, CCL provided 11 hazardous waste manifests for the disposal of hazardous waste condensate for 2025. These hazardous waste manifests include



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017791012FLE, 017791030FLE, 017791031FLE, 017791033FLE, 017791034FLE, 020750335FLE, 020750336FLE, 020750338FLE, 020750678FLE, 020750679FLE, and 020750875FLE. These hazardous waste manifests identify waste profile numbers CH2712208 or CH2909598 in the special handling instructions and additional information section of the manifest. From the hazardous waste manifests provided, the amount of hazardous waste condensate shipped off-site to date in 2025 totals approximately 211 tons.

On January 6, 2025, CCL sampled Tank 69, which was in exceedance for arsenic, reporting 23 mg/L (RT: 5.0 mg/L). Three hazardous waste shipments (017791012FLE, 01779130FLE, and 017791031FLE) occurred on January 23 and 24, 2025 from Tank 69. The waste profile number listed for these shipments was CH2712208 and the federal waste codes identified on the manifests were D001 (ignitability) and D018 (benzene).

On April 15 and 29, 2025, CCL sampled Tank 190, which were in exceedance for arsenic, each time reporting 120 mg/L (RT: 5.0 mg/L). Three hazardous waste shipments (020750335FLE, 020750336FLE, and 020750338FLE) occurred on May 9 and 10, 2025 from Tank 190. The waste profile number listed for these shipments was CH2909598 and the federal waste code identified on the manifests was D018 (benzene).

On June 27, 2025, CCL sampled Tank 190, which was in exceedance for arsenic and pyridine, reporting 96 mg/L arsenic (RT: 5.0 mg/L) and 6.4 mg/L pyridine (RT: 5.0 mg/L). Three hazardous waste shipments (020750678FLE, 020750679FLE, and 020750875FLE) occurred on July 22 and August 7, 2025 from Tank 190. The waste profile number listed for these shipments was CH2909598 and the federal waste code identified on the manifests was D018 (benzene).

On September 17, 2025, CCL sampled Tank T1, which was in exceedance for arsenic, reporting 140 mg/L (RT: 5.0 mg/L). One hazardous waste shipment (020750886FLE) occurred on September 30, 2025 from Tanks T1/T2. The waste profile number listed for this shipment was CH2909598 and the federal waste code identified on the manifest was D018 (benzene). While the shipment occurred within the specified timeframe of DTSC's October 13, 2025 information request, this hazardous waste manifest was not included in CCL's October 27, 2025 response.



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To date, CCL has not provided hazardous waste manifests to DTSC for liquids with federal waste codes D004 (arsenic) or D038 (pyridine).

Violation Classification:

This is a class 1 violation.

Compliance Requirement:

CCL shall ensure that all uniform hazardous waste manifests are fully complete and accurate, including but not limited to, identifying applicable waste codes.

Within 30 days of this SOV, CCL shall determine which hazardous waste manifests for hazardous waste condensate require corrections and submit manifest corrections via US EPA's e-Manifest system for all hazardous waste condensate shipments that contained arsenic and/or pyridine. CCL shall provide documentation of completion for these corrections to Erin Neal at Erin.Neal@dtsc.ca.gov and Zana Zmily at Zanalee.Zmily@dtsc.ca.gov. CCL shall provide an updated waste characterization for hazardous waste condensate. CCL shall provide complete analytical laboratory reports for all condensate samples, including but not limited to, samples collected in 2025 from Tanks 68, 69, 190, T1, and T2. CCL shall also provide a map of the condensate tank area including T1/T2 and its associated piping as requested in DTSC's information request on October 13, 2025.

Violation # 3

Violation Citation:

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 22, § 66262.17(a)(5), A large quantity generator may accumulate hazardous waste on site without a permit or interim status, and without complying with the requirements of chapters 14, 15, 16, and 20 of this division, or the notification requirements pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 25153.6, provided that all the following are met:

(a) Accumulation. A large quantity generator accumulates hazardous waste on site for no more than 90 days, unless in compliance with the accumulation time limit extension in subsection (b) of this section or section 66262.35 of this article.

The following accumulation conditions also apply:

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(5) Labeling and marking of containers and tanks

(A) Containers. A large quantity generator shall mark or label its containers with the following:

1. The words "Hazardous Waste";
2. The composition and physical state of the wastes;



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3. An indication of the hazards of the contents [examples include, but are not limited to, the applicable hazardous waste characteristic(s) (i.e., ignitable, corrosive, reactive, toxic); hazard communication consistent with the Department of Transportation requirements at 49 Code of Federal Regulations part 172, subpart E (labeling) or subpart F (placarding); a hazard statement or pictogram consistent with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration Hazard Communication Standard at 29 Code of Federal Regulations 1910.1200; or a chemical hazard label consistent with the National Fire Protection Association code 704];
4. The name and address of the person generating the waste;
5. The date upon which each period of accumulation begins shall be clearly marked and visible for inspection on each container; and
6. The date the applicable accumulation period specified in subsection (a) of this section begins shall be clearly marked and visible for inspection on each container.

(B) Tanks. A large quantity generator accumulating hazardous waste in tanks shall do the following:

1. Mark or label its tanks with the words "Hazardous Waste";
2. Mark or label its tanks with an indication of the hazards of the contents [examples include, but are not limited to, the applicable hazardous waste characteristic(s) (i.e., ignitable, corrosive, reactive, toxic); hazard communication consistent with the Department of Transportation requirements at 49 Code of Federal Regulations part 172, subpart E (labeling) or subpart F (placarding); a hazard statement or pictogram consistent with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration Hazard Communication Standard at 29 Code of Federal Regulations 1910.1200; or a chemical hazard label consistent with the National Fire Protection Association code 704];
3. The date the applicable accumulation period specified in subsection (a) of this section begins shall be clearly marked and visible for inspection on each tank;



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4. Use inventory logs, monitoring equipment or other records to demonstrate that hazardous waste has been emptied within 90 days of first entering the tank if using a batch process, or in the case of a tank with a continuous flow process, demonstrate that estimated volumes of hazardous waste entering the tank daily exit the tank within 90 days of first entering; and
5. Keep inventory logs or records with the above information on site and readily available for inspection.

Description:

On and/or before August 19, 2025, CCL failed to properly label tanks containing hazardous waste leachate. DTSC observed that 20,000-gallon tanks storing hazardous waste leachate and/or condensate were not properly labeled with the words “Hazardous Waste”, an indication of the hazards of the contents, and the accumulation start date. In addition, CCL provided tank inspection logs from June 2025 to September 2025 that showed “Unsatisfactory” flags for the item “All containers have appropriate ‘Hazardous’, ‘Non-Hazardous’, or ‘Pending Analysis’ labels” for various hazardous waste leachate tanks on-site.

Violation Classification:

This is a class 2 violation.

Compliance Requirement:

CCL shall immediately properly label all containers/tanks accumulating hazardous waste. Within 30 days of this SOV, CCL shall provide documentation of compliance, including photographs to Erin Neal at Erin.Neal@dtsc.ca.gov and Zana Zmily at Zanalee.Zmily@dtsc.ca.gov.

In addition, DTSC observed at least 25 blue and green containers (approximately 50 gallons in size) located in various tank farm areas on-site on August 19, 2025. Per CCL’s September 24, 2025 response to DTSC’s follow-up questions from the site visit, the green bins are used to accumulate leachate from drip pans and the blue bins are used to accumulate soiled absorbent. At the time of the site visit, DTSC observed liquids and absorbent in unlabeled green bins and municipal trash in unlabeled blue bins.



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Containers accumulating hazardous waste must be properly labeled in accordance with Cal. Code Regs., tit. 22, § 66262.17(a)(5)(A). Tanks accumulating hazardous waste must be properly labeled in accordance with Cal. Code Regs., tit. 22, § 66262.17(a)(5)(B).

SECTION II: OTHER ISSUES/CONCERNS

The following issues/concerns were identified during this investigation. Further research may identify additional violations.

1. Additional releases of leachate and/or condensate have occurred at CCL. These incidents have not been identified as violations at this time; however, DTSC is concerned that these incidents demonstrate general leachate mismanagement on-site. The incidents are described in reports posted on CCL's website (<https://chiquitacanyon.com/odor-mitigation/>), email notifications sent by CCL to DTSC, and the CalOES Spill Release Reporting Dashboard (attached to this SOV as Exhibit D). These incidents are also summarized in the attached table (Exhibit E).
2. On September 24, 2025, CCL stated in a letter that it manages leachate and/or condensate-contaminated solids (such as soil or rock, absorbent, spent carbon media, and sludge) by separating like-media into roll-off bins. Once these roll-off bins are full, CCL will sample these bins prior to disposal. DTSC expresses concern that media collected in bins are comingling hazardous and non-hazardous contaminated solids. Within 30 days of this SOV, provide additional information in writing regarding how CCL manages solids by separating each media and how CCL identifies which bins are associated with hazardous and non-hazardous contaminated solids.



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ATTACHMENTS:

Exhibit A: Violation #1 Supporting Documents (contains CalOES reports, CCL's South Coast AQMD Abatement Order reports, CCL's RWQCB reports, and CCL correspondence with DTSC)

Exhibit B: Table 1 – Violation #1 Counts

Exhibit C: Violation #2 Supporting Documents (contains CCL's 10/27/2025 response to DTSC's 10/13/2025 information request, CCL's daily sampling summaries of condensate, CCL's Waste Stream Documentation Form for Ameresco Condensate, hazardous waste manifest 020750886FLE)

Exhibit D: Other Issues/Concerns #1 Supporting Documents (contains CalOES reports, CCL's South Coast AQMD Abatement Order reports, CCL's RWQCB reports, a CCL's Reaction Committee Meeting Summary, and CCL correspondence with DTSC)

Exhibit E: Table 2 – Other Issues/Concerns #1 – Incidents

Exhibit F: CCL's Summary of Leachate Leaks and Spills from September 4, 2024 to October 10, 2025