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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 leachate from a pipe in grid 60:

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

0. The spill was discovered on December 5, 2025, at approximately 9:15 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

0. Leachate spilled from a pipe located in grid 60. 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;

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

0. Upon discovering the spill, Chiquita personnel blocked off the impacted area, as the liquid was not flowing, and personnel monitored the area until cleanup equipment could arrive.

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

0. Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, it appears that while a contractor was moving pipes from the top deck to the parts yard for storage, liquid spilled from a pipe that was thought to be empty. Chiquita attributes this spill to contractor error.

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

1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 5 gallons of leachate spilled from the pipe. Because this pipe was already decommissioned and among other decommissioned pipes being moved, there is no way to trace the spilled liquids to include a characterization or associated group for this spill report.

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

1. Chiquita removed the soil from the area impacted by the spill and placed it in a roll-off bin for proper disposal.

Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately one hour.

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

2. Chiquita discussed proper procedures with the contractor involved. Personnel will continue to use best efforts to ensure that pipes are emptied of liquids before the pipes are moved.

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

0. A Chiquita contractor 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 contractors; however, Chiquita discussed proper procedures with the contractor involved, and 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.

- To Chiquita's knowledge, 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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