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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 less than 1 gallon of characteristically hazardous leachate from a pipe associated with well number CV-2407 in grid 187.

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

0. The spill was discovered on February 4, 2026, at approximately 9:00 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Characteristically hazardous leachate associated with well number CV-2407 spilled in grid 187. Leachate from the spill did not enter 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;

- Upon discovering the spill, the valve was immediately closed to stop the flow of liquid.

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

0. Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, when personnel opened a valve associated with well number CV-2407, liquid unexpectedly spilled outside the containment pan. Chiquita attributes this spill to operator error.

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

1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that less than 1 gallon of characteristically hazardous leachate spilled.

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

- In addition to the measures discussed above, the impacted dirt was promptly removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup was completed within approximately 5 minutes.

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

0. Chiquita re-trained the personnel on the additional appropriate precautions to be taken when opening valves to minimize the potential for spills.

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

0. Chiquita personnel were 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. The individual involved in the root cause of this spill had previously been trained on the 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.

- Chiquita has been unable to determine whether this employee has previously been involved in the root cause of a leachate leak or spill.

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