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Subject: Chiquita Canyon Landfill – Case No. 6177-4: Leak Report (Condition 27(e))

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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 less than one gallon of treated leachate associated with tanks L13-L29 in the Tank Farm loading area located in grid 251.

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

1. The leak was discovered on February 14, 2026, at approximately 11:50 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Treated leachate leaked from a valve in the loading area of Tank Farm 13, located in Grid 251. Liquid from the leak did not reach the stormwater channel or either stormwater basin.

(3) the name of the person that discovered the leak or spill;

1. Isidro Lopez

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

1. Upon discovering the leak, Chiquita placed containments to collect any additional liquids that may leak from the broken valve.

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

1. Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, the leak appears to have been caused by a broken valve located on a third-party tanker truck. Chiquita attributes this leak to third party equipment malfunction.

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

1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that less than 1 gallon of treated leachate associated with tanks L13-L29 leaked from the broken valve.

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

- In addition to the measures discussed above, absorbent was promptly applied to the area impacted by the leak. The soiled absorbent and saturated soil were then removed and placed into a container for proper disposal.

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

1. Chiquita had a conversation with the third-party contractor who confirmed that they will replace the broken valve prior to the truck returning to the landfill.

(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

1. 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.

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