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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 approximately 0.25 cups of characteristically hazardous leachate associated with Group A, U13-49, onto the tank farm liner in Tank Farm 13 located in Grid 235.

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

1. The spill was discovered on March 25, 2026, at approximately 5:00 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Characteristically hazardous leachate associated with Group A, U13-49, spilled onto the tank farm liner in Tank Farm 13 located in Grid 235. No liquid from the spill entered the stormwater channel or either stormwater basin.

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

1. Blue Velez.

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

1. Upon discovering the spill, absorbent was immediately applied to the affected area.

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

1. Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, it appears that the 0.25 cups of leachate spilled from a hose on tank number U13-49 while disconnecting the hose in order to replace the gasket. Chiquita attributes this spill to operator error.

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

1. Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 0.25 cups of characteristically hazardous leachate spilled onto the tank farm liner in Grid 235.

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

- In addition to the measures discussed above, the soiled absorbent was removed from the affected area and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 3 minutes.

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

- The gasket was replaced on the hose. Chiquita also discussed with the personnel situational awareness and best practices for collecting liquids during similar work.

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

1. 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

- The Chiquita personnel involved in the spill had previously received training on applicable operational procedures to help prevent 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.

- This Chiquita personnel was previously involved in the root cause of at least one leachate spill.

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