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Subject: Chiquita Canyon Landfill - Case No. 6177-4: Leak 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 leak of characteristically non-hazardous leachate associated with Group C from a forcemain located in grid 160.

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

1. The leak was discovered on April 17, 2026, at approximately 2:45 p.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Characteristically non-hazardous leachate associated with Group C leaked from a forcemain located in grid 160. 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. Chris Juarez

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

- Upon discovering the leak, Chiquita personnel immediately closed the forcemain valve and shut off the pump to stop the flow of liquid. Personnel also created a berm with sandbags to contain the liquid.

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

- Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, the leak appears to have resulted from a disconnection of the forcemain hose due to a camlock failure. Chiquita attributes this leak to mechanical equipment failure.

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

- Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 400 gallons of characteristically non-hazardous leachate leaked from the forcemain.

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

- In addition to the measures discussed above, the camlock was replaced and pins were installed on the camlock fitting. The affected area was immediately pressure washed while applying vacuum to ensure the collection of all standing liquid and affected soil. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 2 hours.

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

- Chiquita will install pins on the camlock fitting to ensure the clamps remain closed. Chiquita will also continue to inspect equipment, perform maintenance, and implement appropriate corrective actions as needed.

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

- 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

- 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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