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

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 0.25 cups of treated non-hazardous leachate in Lower Tank Farm 13 in Grid 251.

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

- The spill was discovered on May 27, 2026, at approximately 5:30 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Treated non-hazardous leachate spilled in Lower Tank Farm 13 in Grid 251 from a 4-inch hose. 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;

- Michael Fajardo

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

- Upon discovering the spill, Chiquita personnel promptly placed the hose in a tray with absorbent material to contain any residual liquid.

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

- Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, it appears that the hose was disconnected before it was fully drained, causing residual liquid in the hose to spill. Chiquita attributes this spill to operator error.

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

- Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 0.25 cups of treated non-hazardous leachate spilled.

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

- In addition to the measures discussed above, the affected dirt was removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 2 minutes.

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

- Chiquita re-trained tank farm personnel on proper hose disconnection procedures, including the need to confirm that hoses are fully drained of residual liquid before they are disconnected.

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

- 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.

- It is Chiquita's understanding that this individual has not previously been involved in the root cause of a leachate leak or spill.

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