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Subject: Chiquita Canyon Landfill – Case No. 6177-4: Leak 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 leak of characteristically hazardous leachate from the side manway of tank number C13-10 in Grid 236.

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

- The leak was discovered on June 30, 2026, at approximately 2:00 p.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Characteristically hazardous leachate leaked from the side manway of tank number C13-10 in Grid 236. 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;

- Robert Aguilar.

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

- Upon discovering the leak, the side manway was closed to stop the flow of leachate, and an absorbent berm was created to contain the leachate.

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

- Based on Chiquita's current knowledge, it appears that a valve failed to properly isolate tank number C13-10 after the tank had been emptied, allowing leachate to flow back and leak onto the liner. Chiquita attributes this leak to mechanical equipment failure.

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

- Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 50 gallons of characteristically hazardous leachate leaked onto the liner.

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

- In addition to the measures discussed above, absorbent material was applied to the affected area, and an onsite cleanup crew was called to complete cleanup. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately one hour.

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

- Chiquita discussed the event with the third-party contractor personnel. The third-party contractor personnel confirmed that they will ensure that all tanks in a bank are emptied before tank-cleaning activities and will maintain a spotter at the tank being cleaned. Chiquita will 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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