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Subject: Chiquita Canyon Landfill – Case No. 6177-4: Leak Report (Condition 27(e))
Importance: Normal
Sensitivity: None

All,

Consistent with reports provided under 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 1 gallon of characteristically hazardous leachate associated with Group A from fittings on well CV24048 in Grid 151.

This report is not compelled by Condition 27(e), as the leak is estimated at less than 1 gallon. Chiquita nevertheless provides this courtesy report in the interest of transparency and given ongoing reporting requests from other regulators.

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

- The leak was discovered on August 11, 2026, at approximately 10:00 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Characteristically hazardous leachate associated with Group A leaked from fittings on well CV24048 in Grid 151. 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;

- Tom Roe.

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

- Upon discovering the leak, the fittings on CV24048 were immediately tightened to stop the flow of 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 leak resulted from a mechanical failure involving the fittings on well CV24048.

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

- Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately one-half cup of characteristically hazardous leachate leaked from well CV24048.

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

- In addition to the measures discussed above, the affected area was promptly wiped with absorbent rags to remove the liquid and the rags were then placed in a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced and was completed immediately.

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

- Chiquita tightened the fittings on well CV24048 to reduce the likelihood of recurrence. In addition, 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 the leak.

Thank you.

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