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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 6 ounces of characteristically hazardous leachate associated with Group B from a discharge hose related to well number CV-24102 located in Grid 211.

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;

0. The leak was discovered on November 4, 2026, at approximately 11:35 a.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Characteristically hazardous leachate leaked from a discharge hose associated with well number CV-24102 in Grid 211. Liquid from the leak did not reach either stormwater basin.

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

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

- Upon discovering the leak, the related force main was immediately closed to stop the flow of liquid. The residual liquid in the discharge hose was then drained into a containment tray containing absorbent material.

(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 cam arm on the camlock fitting at the end of the discharge hose failing to properly engage and secure the connection. Chiquita attributes this leak to mechanical equipment failure.

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

- Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 6 ounces of characteristically hazardous leachate associated with Group B leaked.

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

- In addition to the measures discussed above, Chiquita personnel cleaned the affected area using absorbent

wipes, which were then placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 10 minutes.

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

- Chiquita installed locking pins in the camlock fitting at the end of the discharge hose to ensure the connections remain properly secured and reduce the potential for similar leaks. 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.

Best Regards,

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