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

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 treated non-hazardous leachate associated with Groups A, B, North Perimeter, and East Perimeter, and manifest number CCL000076OK, from a third-party tanker truck in Grid 246.

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

- The spill was discovered on November 7, 2026, at approximately 12:00 p.m.

(2) area designation inspected;

- Treated non-hazardous leachate associated with Groups A, B, North Perimeter, and East Perimeter, and manifest number CCL000076OK, spilled from a third-party tanker truck in Grid 246. No liquid from the spill entered either stormwater basin.

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

- Matthew Ruiz.

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

- Upon discovering the spill, Chiquita personnel immediately directed the third-party driver to stop the tanker truck. The driver then secured the truck's top dome lid, which stopped 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 third-party driver inadvertently did not properly secure their tanker truck's top dome lid before moving the truck, causing the lid to open and leachate to spill from the opening. Chiquita attributes this spill to third-party driver error.

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

- Chiquita conservatively estimates that approximately 3 gallons 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, absorbent was applied to the affected area. The soiled

absorbent material was then removed and placed into a container for proper disposal. Cleanup commenced immediately and was completed within approximately 1 hour.

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

- Chiquita will continue to remind third-party drivers to inspect equipment prior to moving their trucks.

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

- A third-party driver was 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

- Chiquita does not provide training to third-party drivers; however, Chiquita routinely reviews spill- and leak-prevention practices with its contractors, and 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.

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

Best Regards,

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