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Subject: **CRITICAL NEW INFORMATION ABOUT MARSHALL FIRE AND DEVELOPMENTS IN BOULDER MARSHALL FIRE CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST XCEL ENERGY**

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Boulder, Colorado. Critical new information has been released about the proximate cause of, and the severity of the Marshall Fire at a Town Hall meeting on Saturday, April 9, 2022 in Boulder. The new information further implicates Defendant Xcel as the responsible party, as relates to the victims in Superior, Louisville and Lafayette.

Class action lawyers **James Avery, Denver Injury Law LLC (Boulder, CO)** along with **Schack Law Group (San Diego, CA)** sponsored a **Town Hall** meeting concerning the first civil cause of action (**Doe v. Xcel Energy**, Case No. 2022CV30195, Boulder District Court) for injuries and damages resulting from the December 30, 2021 "**Marshall Fire**" which raged across Boulder County and the towns of Superior, Louisville and Lafayette burning over 6,000 acres and destroying more 1,000 homes and businesses. The basis of the lawsuit, a class action, is that **XCEL ENERGY'S** equipment substantially caused or contributed to the cause, origin, and continuation of the deadly Marshall Fire.

New witness information lead to the discovery of a parcel of land owned by Public Service Co.-Xcel in Boulder County on the outskirts of Superior at 0 Coal Creek Drive. The vacant land was being used by Xcel to dump and store wood chips, presumably from tree trimming of power line right of ways. Aerial photos from before the fire showed more than 60 loads of wood chips on the land, and eyewitnesses at Superior Maintenance (which owns and occupies the adjacent parcel to the east) reported they were dousing the grass fire with fire hoses and seemed to have it under control when the wood chips ignited, causing a firestorm that consumed their property and was driven by the wind in an eastward direction (toward townships of Superior, Louisville and Lafayette). See [Link](#). Class action lawyer **James Avery** commented: "This firestorm was the direct result of the negligence and deliberate indifference to a known fire hazard by Xcel, which was a proximate cause of the loss of homes, businesses and possessions in the townships of Superior, Louisville and Lafayette. Xcel will be held accountable for the losses."