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Warehouse Fire Causes Chemical Release

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THE CLAIM

A fire erupted at an insured general storage warehouse. The fire spread to the hazardous chemical storage area, which resulted in toxic smoke and chemical vapors being released into the surrounding community. Hazardous liquids were also released into the surrounding soils through fire-fighting water runoff. The local fire department's hazardous materials response team responded to the fire to control the extent of contamination.

Hundreds of surrounding community members filed a class action lawsuit, citing health problems from inhalation of toxic vapors and property damage from hazardous fire-fighting water runoff.

THE RESPONSE

An XL environmental claims consultant responded and interacted with state regulatory agencies and the USEPA on the determination of the extent of cleanup to be performed. An XL environmental claims counsel retained a local attorney to handle the class action lawsuit.

THE SOLUTION

The insured's Pollution and Remediation Legal Liability policy paid $545,000 to settle the citizens suit and cover remediation costs and legal defense costs.

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