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## **First Responders Investigate Suspicious Substance at Broomfield Business**

Building evacuated and substance later identified non-hazardous

**Broomfield, CO**—On Oct. 30, North Metro Fire Rescue District, Arvada Fire Protection District and Broomfield Police Department responded to a hazardous materials (hazmat) incident inside a corporate building at 2655 W. Midway Boulevard in Broomfield.

An employee arrived at work to find a white powdery substance scattered across the desk. Broomfield Police was notified at 8:38 a.m. and dispatched units to investigate. North Metro Fire's HazMat Unit and other firefighter personnel as well as Arvada Fire's HazMat Unit responded to the incident shortly after.

As a precautionary measure, all employees, approximately 150 people in total, were evacuated from the building while HazMat crews went inside to analyze the substance. Preliminary testing showed the substance to be non-hazardous or biological in nature. The two employees in close proximity to the substance were evaluated and released without any reported medical implications.

Broomfield Police are investigating the incident to determine the source of the substance and if any suspicious or criminal activity is involved. This case is still under investigation and no further information is available.

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