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The following statement is from Curt and Nancy Richardson, the owners of Blue Ocean Enterprises:

*Like so many of our fellow residents of Northern Colorado, we were devastated to learn about the overnight fire that destroyed the historic Windsor Mill. The mill was badly damaged in the 2008 tornado, and we were in the midst of a dramatic renovation that would have given it new life as a mixed-use development that included a brewery, restaurant and office space.*

*We are relieved that no one was injured in the fire, and we are grateful for the brave men and women from nearly a dozen local agencies and organizations who attempted to save the historic Windsor Mill, while also fighting to protect the nearby homes and businesses. The fire was a terrible situation, but without the quick actions of the first responders it would have been much, much worse.*

*We chose to renovate and develop the Windsor Mill because of its historic significance, its geographic location and our commitment to developing a project that will help serve as a catalyst for Windsor's economy. Our hearts go out to the Windsor residents and businesses that feel this loss, and we remain committed to this project. We will work closely with our design team and local officials to better understand the options and timeline for bringing this project online again.*