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TORRINGTON, Conn. (AP) —Dozens of Connecticut firefighters have contained a blaze at a former cardboard package factory in Torrington.

The four-alarm fire at the former Smurfit-Stone Container Corp. factory on Summer Street was reported at about 5 a.m. Monday. A portion of the building was engulfed in flames when firefighters arrived.

Fire officials say one firefighter was brought to a hospital for heat exhaustion. No other injuries are reported.

Smurfit-Stone made cardboard boxes there until closing the factory in 2000. The company, which has headquarters in Chicago and Creve Coeur, Mo., has other facilities in Connecticut and announced recently that it was closing its Portland plant.

Fire officials say a storage facility and some other business had been operating at the old factory.

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