Form 5500

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6047(e), and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.**

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1210-0089

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2009 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2009 and ending 12/31/2009

A This return/report is for:
- [ ] a multiemployer plan;
- [ ] a multiple-employer plan; or
- [X] a single-employer plan;
- [ ] a DFE (specify) ____

B This return/report is:
- [ ] the first return/report;
- [ ] the final return/report;
- [X] an amended return/report;
- [ ] a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months).

C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. . . . . ▶ [ ]

D Check box if filing under:
- [ ] Form 5558;
- [ ] automatic extension;
- [ ] the DFVC program;
- [ ] special extension (enter description)

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan
EMPLOYEES PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1976

2a Plan sponsor's name and address (employer, if for a single-employer plan)
(Address should include room or suite no.)
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER OF ROUND LAKE, INC

659 W. RAILROAD AVE.
ROUND LAKE, IL 60073

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
36-2835061

2c Sponsor's telephone number
847-546-4668

2d Business code (see instructions)
444130

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	07/28/2010	RICHARD HILL
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address (if same as plan sponsor, enter "Same")
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER OF ROUND LAKE, INC

659 W. RAILROAD AVE.
ROUND LAKE, IL 60073

3b Administrator's EIN
36-2835061

3c Administrator's telephone number
847-546-4668

4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the name, EIN and the plan number from the last return/report:

a Sponsor's name

4b EIN

4c PN

5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	159
6	Number of participants as of the end of the plan year (welfare plans complete only lines **6a, 6b, 6c,** and **6d**).		
a	Active participants	**6a**	114
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	42
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a**, **6b**, and **6c**	**6d**	156
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**	**6f**	156
g	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	123
h	Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	7
7	Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	**7**	

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:
2F 2G 2J 2K 2E 2T 3D

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)

(1)		Insurance
(2)		Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3)	X	Trust
(4)		General assets of the sponsor

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)

(1)		Insurance
(2)		Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3)	X	Trust
(4)		General assets of the sponsor

10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

(1)	X	**R** (Retirement Plan Information)
(2)		**MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
(3)		**SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary

b General Schedules

(1)	X	**H** (Financial Information)
(2)		**I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
(3)		**A** (Insurance Information)
(4)	X	**C** (Service Provider Information)
(5)		**D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
(6)		**G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500)	Service Provider Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**	**2009** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection.**

For calendar plan year 2009 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2009 and ending 12/31/2009

A Name of plan
EMPLOYEES PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER OF ROUND LAKE, INC

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
36-2835061

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, $5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).. . . . . [X] Yes [ ] No

b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

MML INVESTORS SERVICES INC.
300 S. WACKER DR. #500
CHICAGO, IL 60606

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosure on eligible indirect compensation

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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, $5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

ASCENSUS

11-3665754

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 37 50 60 64 99	RECORD KEEPER	20325	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [ ] No [X]	0	Yes [X] No [ ]

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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CHICAGO, IL 60606

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
33 63	BROKERAGE	0	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [ ] No [X]	0	Yes [X] No [ ]

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

ACCIARI, LEVY & RABYNE LLC

26-3126936

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10 50	AUDITOR	17500	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [ ]		Yes [ ] No [ ]

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3 If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received $1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
ASCENSUS	15 60	0

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
OPPENHEIMER 225 LIBERTY ST. NEW YORK, NY 10281	SEE THE FORMULA DESCRIPTION REPORT LISTING THE FORMULA FOR SUB T/A REVENUE BY FUND.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
ASCENSUS	15 60	0

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
PIMCO 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10105	SEE THE FORMULA DESCRIPTION REPORT LISTING THE FORMULA FOR SUB T/A REVENUE BY FUND.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
ASCENSUS	15 60	0

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
CAPITAL RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT CO. 333 S. HOPE ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90071	SEE THE FORMULA DESCRIPTION REPORT LISTING THE FORMULA FOR SUB T/A REVENUE BY FUND.

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AIM FUNDS 1555 PEACHTREE ST, N.E., STE 1800 ATLANTA, GA 30309	SEE THE FORMULA DESCRIPTION REPORT LISTING THE FORMULA FOR SUB T/A REVENUE BY FUND.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
MML INVESTORS SERVICES INC.	33 63	0

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
OPPENHEIMER 225 LIBERTY ST NEW YORK, NY 10281	SEE THE FORMULA DESCRIPTION REPORT LISTING THE FORMULA FOR 12B-1 REVENUE BY FUND.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
MML INVESTORS SERVICES INC.	33 63	0

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.
PIMCO 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10105	SEE THE FORMULA DESCRIPTION REPORT LISTING THE FORMULA FOR 12B-1 REVENUE BY FUND.

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CAPITAL RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT CO. 333 S. HOPE ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90071	SEE THE FORMULA DESCRIPTION REPORT LISTING THE FORMULA FOR 12B-1 REVENUE BY FUND.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	**(b)** Nature of Service Code(s)	**(c)** Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide

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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)

(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	**b** EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	**e** Telephone:

Explanation:

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

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Financial Information

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ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER OF ROUND LAKE, INC

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
36-2835061

Part I Asset and Liability Statement

1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		6626
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	11861	156630
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	156858	145454
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	2719250	3073898
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

			(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d	Employer-related investments:			
	(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
	(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e	Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f	Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	2887969	3382608
	Liabilities			
g	Benefit claims payable	1g		
h	Operating payables	1h		
i	Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j	Other liabilities	1j		
k	Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	0	0
	Net Assets			
l	Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	2887969	3382608

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

	Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a	**Contributions:**			
	(1) Received or receivable in cash from: **(A)** Employers	2a(1)(A)	25917	
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	193684	
	(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
	(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
	(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		219601
b	**Earnings on investments:**			
	(1) Interest:			
	(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	77	
	(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
	(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
	(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
	(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	12200	
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
	(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		12277
	(2) Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
	(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
	(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	34535	
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		34535
	(3) Rents	2b(3)		
	(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
	(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
	(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
2b (5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		0
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		488504
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		754917
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	222453	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		222453
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)	17500	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	20325	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		37825
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		260278
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		494639
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) [X] Unqualified (2) [ ] Qualified (3) [ ] Disclaimer (4) [ ] Adverse

b Did the accountant perform a limited scope audit pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and/or 103-12(d)? [ ] Yes [X] No

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: ACCIARI, LEVY AND RABYNE, LLC (2) EIN: 26-3126936

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) [ ] This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) [ ] It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete 4l.

During the plan year:

		Yes	No	Amount
a	Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)	4a		X	
b	Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	4b		X	
c	Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	4c		X	
d	Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	4d		X	
e	Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X		500000
f	Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X	
g	Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4g		X	
h	Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4h		X	
i	Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4i	X		
j	Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4j		X	
k	Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4k		X	
l	Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X	
m	If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m		X	
n	If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	4n			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? If yes, enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No** **Amount:**

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	**5b(2)** EIN(s)	**5b(3)** PN(s)

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Retirement Plan Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**

OMB No. 1210-0110

2009

This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2009 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2009 and ending 12/31/2009

A Name of plan
EMPLOYEES PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER OF ROUND LAKE, INC

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
36-2835061

Part I Distributions

All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions **1** 0

2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):

EIN(s): 45-0404698 75-3182674

Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.

3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year. **3**

Part II Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section of 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part)

4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**

If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.

5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. **Date:** Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.

6 **a** Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year **6a**

b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year **6b**

c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount) **6c**

If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.

7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**

8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**

Part III Amendments

9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box(es). If no, check the "No" box. ..... ☐ **Increase** ☐ **Decrease** ☐ **Both** ☐ **No**

Part IV ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under Section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.

10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

11 **a** Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.) ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires *(If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.)* Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete items 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify):

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify):

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN **c** Dollar amount contributed by employer

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e Contribution rate information *(If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete items 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify):

14 Enter the number of participants on whose behalf no contributions were made by an employer as an employer of the participant for:

a The current year	**14a**	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	**14b**	
c The second preceding plan year	**14c**	

15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	**15a**	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	**15b**	

16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	**16a**	
b If item 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	**16b**	

17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment. ☐

Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment ☐

19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete items (a) through (c)

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
Stock: _____% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt:
☐ 0-3 years ☐ 3-6 years ☐ 6-9 years ☐ 9-12 years ☐ 12-15 years ☐ 15-18 years ☐ 18-21 years ☐ 21 years or more

c What duration measure was used to calculate item 19(b)?
☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify):

EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

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NOTE: Supplemental schedules required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act that have not been included herein are not applicable to the EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER.

AL & R Acciari, Levy & Rabyne, LLC
Certified Public Accountants/Consultants

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustees of the
Employee's Profit Sharing Plan of
Ace Hardware Home Center

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the **EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER** as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2009. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2009 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Acciari, Levy & Rabyne, LLC

July 19, 2010
Skokie, Illinois

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EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

ASSETS

	2009	2008
Participant-Directed Investments, at Fair Value		
Shares of registered investment companies	$ 3,073,898	$ 2,719,250
Participants' contributions receivable	6,626	-
Participants' loans receivable	145,454	156,858
Total Investments	3,225,978	2,876,108
Cash	156,630	11,861
Total Assets	3,382,608	2,887,969
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$ 3,382,608	$ 2,887,969

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:	
Investment income	
Interest	$ 12,277
Dividends	34,535
	46,812
Less: Investment expenses	20,324
Total Investment Income	26,488
Contributions	
Employers'	25,917
Participants'	193,685
Total Contributions	219,602
Net appreciation in Fair Value of Investment	488,504
Total Additions	734,594
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:	
Benefits paid to participants	222,455
Administration expenses	17,500
Total Deductions	239,955
Net Increase	494,639
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	
Beginning of year	$ 2,887,969
End of year	$ 3,382,608

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

A. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER ("Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

1. General. The Plan is a defined contribution 401(K) profit sharing plan covering all full-time employees of an affiliated group of nine corporations: Ace Hardware Home Center, Inc., Ace Hardware of Lakehurst, Inc., Ace Hardware of Mundelein, Inc., Ace Hardware of Round Lake Beach, Inc., Ace Hardware of Libertyville, Inc., Ace Hardware of Gurnee, Inc., Ace Hardware of Wauconda, Inc., Ace Hardware of Waukegan North, Inc. and Ace Hardware of Grayslake, Inc. Employees who have completed one thousand hours of service in a consecutive twelve month period are eligible to participate in the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

2. Contributions. Each participant may elect to defer up to 90% of compensation not to exceed $16,500. The employer may elect to contribute the following:

   Matching contributions for participants who have made salary deferrals not to exceed the lesser of 5% of each participant's total compensation, or 50% of the deferral amount.

3. Investments. The Plan provides a menu of investment options. Employees may direct the investment of all plan contributions based on this menu.

4 Participant Accounts. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of (a) the Company's contribution, (b) Plan earnings or losses, and (c) forfeitures of terminated participants' nonvested accounts. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

5. Vesting. Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts plus actual earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100 percent vested after seven years of credited service.

6. Forfeitures. Amounts left in the plan because of less than 100% vesting may be applied first to plan administrative expenses. Any remaining amounts will be allocated to remaining plan participants. Forfeited amounts may be restored by returning to work before incurring five consecutive one year breaks in service. As of year ended December 31, 2009, no forfeitures were allocated to remaining plan participants.

A. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (Continued)

7. Participant Loans Receivable. Participants may borrow from their accounts up to a maximum equal to the lesser of $50,000 or 50 percent of their account balance. Loan terms range from one to five years. The loans are secured by the balances in the participants' accounts and bear interest at a prevailing commercial rate for loans of similar types. Repayment must be made at least quarterly in level payments of interest and principal. Interest is charged at rates of approximately 4.25%-9.25%.

8. Payment of Benefits. The normal form of benefit is a lump sum.

B. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the Plan sponsors to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value, the net asset value of shares at year end.

The Plan adopted SFAS 157 as of January 1, 2009. SFAS established a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the input to valuation of techniques used to measure fair market value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quote prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). Three levels of the fair value hierarchy under SFAS 157 are described below:

Basis of Fair Value Measurements

Level 1 – Unadjusted quote prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement fate for the identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

Level 2 – Quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active or financial instruments for which all significant inputs are observable ;

Level 3 – Prices or valuations that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

The following table sets forth by level within the fair value hierarchy the Plan investment assets and investment liabilities at fair value, as of December 31, 2009. As required by SFAS 157 assets and liabilities are classified in there entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

B. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

	Investment Assets at Fair Value As of December 31, 2008			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Registered Investment Companies	$ 3,073,898	-	-	$3,073,898
Participant loans	-	-	$ 145,454	$ 145,454
	$ 3,073,898	-	$ 145,454	$ 3,219,352

Level 3 Gains and Losses:
The following table sets forth a summary of changes in the fair value of the Plan level 3 assets for the year ended December 31, 2009

	Level 3 Assets Year Ended December 31, 2009
	Participant Loans
Balance Beginning of year	$ 156,858
Settlements (net)	(11,404)
Total	$ 145,454

Shares of registered investment companies are valued at quoted market prices which represent the net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year-end.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Risk and Uncertainties
The Plan Invests in a variety of investment funds. Investments in general are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall volatility risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

At year ended December 31, 2009, the amount of $123,928 has not been paid to participants who have withdrawn from the plan. Outstanding loan receivable from terminated participants amounted to $ 7,310.

C. INVESTMENTS

The Plan's investments are maintained in accounts at a brokerage house. Oppenheimer Funds, was selected the primary investment brokerage. Investments are made in a list of investment choices.

FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS

	December 31, 2009		December 31, 2008	
	Number of Shares	Fair Market Value	Number of Shares	Fair Market Value
Oppenheimer Funds CL N				
Global Opportunities	2,278	$ 120,372	2,688	102,553
Strategic Income	4,776	18,864	10,087	37,501
Small & Mid-Cap	1,790	46,060	1,353	24,107
Quest Balanced	13,445	*183,392	10,830	112,411
Value Fund	2,373	44,706	2,103	30,028
Conservative Investor	57,789	*428,795	82,531	*535,629
Moderate Investor	63,522	*496,739	86,848	*558,432
Active Allocation	96,903	*813,987	143,409	*956,540
Equity Investor	9,536	90,307	11,223	77,551
Main Street Opportunities	6,291	67,560	2,857	23,369
Commodity Strategy	4,071	13,761	3,837	11,819
Main Street Small Cap	5,434	87,659	243	2,868
International Diversified	1,519	16,011	460	3,314
Other Securities				
American Funds – Growth FD R	4,296	115,684	4,232	85,482
Aim Real Estate Fund	6,202	110,275	6,024	85,053
Pimco Total Return Fund-R2	38,864	*419,726	7,159	72,593
		$ 3,073,898		$ 2,719,250

C. INVESTMENTS (Continued)

* Represents five percent or more of plan's net assets.

During year 2009, the Plan's investments (including investments bought, sold, and held during the year) appreciated in value by $ 488,504.

During year 2008, the Plan's investments (including investments bought, sold, and held during the year) depreciated in value by $1,698,893.

D. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT AMOUNTS TO FORM 5500

Certain items in the Statement of Assets Available for Benefits, and in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits were aggregated in different categories than those required for Form 5500, as follows:

	Per Financial Statement	Reclassification	Amount	Line Reference Form 5500 Schedule H Part I	Line Reference Form 5500 Schedule H Part II
Shares of registered investment companies	$ 3,073,898		3,073,898	1c(13)	
Dividends	34,535	$ (34,535)(1)			
Interest	12,277	(12,200)(3)	77		2b(1)(A)
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	488,504	(488,504)(2)			
Net investment gain from registered investment companies		34,535(1)	34,535		2b(2)(C)
		488,504(2)	488,504		2b(10)
Interest participants' loans		12,200(3)	12,200		2b(1)(E)
Total	$ 3,609,214	-0-	$ 3,609,214		

1) Represents reclassification of income from shares of registered investment companies and money market fund.

2) Represents reclassification of realized and unrealized gains from shares of investment companies.

3) Represents reclassification of interest income from participants' loans.

E. PLAN TERMINATION

While the Company has not expressed any intent to terminate the Plan, all participants' account balances would become fully vested and be distributed to them in the event of such termination.

F. TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated April 22, 2006, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan sponsors and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

AL&R Acciari, Levy & Rabyne, LLC
Certified Public Accountants/Consultants

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustees of the
Employees' Profit Sharing Plan of
Ace Hardware Home Center

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Acciari, Levy & Rabyne, LLC

July 19, 2010
Skokie, Illinois

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SCHEDULE H PART IV - LINE 4J
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

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Active Allocation	18,295	N/A	134,158	134,158	N/A
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Main Street Opportunities	3,802	N/A	36,112	36,112	N/A
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Plan Name: EE'S P.S. PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

Plan Number: 134979

Broker Dealer: MML Investors Services Inc .

Ticker Symbol	Investment Name	Formula used to determine Sub-TA Compensation paid to Ascensus	Formula used to determine 12b-1 Compensation to Broker Dealer	Formula used to determine other compensation to Broker Dealer
ONMIX	Oppenheimer Moderate Investor Fd N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
QGRNX	Oppenheimer Quest Balanced Fund N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
OPMNX	Oppen Main Street Small Cap N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
QSCNX	Oppenheimer Sm- & Mid- Cap Val Fd N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
OSINX	Oppenheimer Strategic Income Fund N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
CSNXX	Oppenheimer Cash Reserves N	25 basis points	N/A	N/A
OMSNX	Oppenheimer Main Street Opportunity Fd N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
CGRNX	Oppenheimer Value Fund N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
ONCIX	Oppenheimer Conservative Investor Fd N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
OGLNX	Oppenheimer Global Fund N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
OAANX	Oppenheimer Active Allocation Fd N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
ONAIX	Oppenheimer Portfolio Series: Equity Inv	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
PTRRX	PIMCO Total Return Fund R	20 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
RGACX	American Funds Growth Fnd of Amer R3	15 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
IARRX	AIM Real Estate Fund	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
OIDNX	Oppenheimer International Diversified N	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A
QRANX	Oppenheimer Commodity Strategy Total Ret	25 basis points	50 basis points	N/A

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Formula Description - Additional Fee Notes

Plan Name:	EE'S P.S. PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER
Plan Number:	134979
Broker Dealer:	MML Investors Services Inc .

The broker dealer may receive additional compensation in an amount up to the sum of 0.10% of last year's American Fund sales by the dealer and 0.02% of American Funds assets attributable to this dealer.

EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

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AL & R Acciari, Levy & Rabyne, LLC
Certified Public Accountants/Consultants

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustees of the
Employee's Profit Sharing Plan of
Ace Hardware Home Center

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the **EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER** as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2009. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2009 in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Acciari, Levy & Rabyne, LLC

July 19, 2010
Skokie, Illinois

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EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

DECEMBER 31, 2009 AND 2008

ASSETS

	2009	2008
Participant-Directed Investments, at Fair Value		
Shares of registered investment companies	$ 3,073,898	$ 2,719,250
Participants' contributions receivable	6,626	-
Participants' loans receivable	145,454	156,858
Total Investments	3,225,978	2,876,108
Cash	156,630	11,861
Total Assets	3,382,608	2,887,969
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$ 3,382,608	$ 2,887,969

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF
ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:	
Investment income	
Interest	$ 12,277
Dividends	34,535
	46,812
Less: Investment expenses	20,324
Total Investment Income	26,488
Contributions	
Employers'	25,917
Participants'	193,685
Total Contributions	219,602
Net appreciation in Fair Value of Investment	488,504
Total Additions	734,594
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO:	
Benefits paid to participants	222,455
Administration expenses	17,500
Total Deductions	239,955
Net Increase	494,639
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	
Beginning of year	$ 2,887,969
End of year	$ 3,382,608

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EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

A. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the EMPLOYEES' PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER ("Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

1. General. The Plan is a defined contribution 401(K) profit sharing plan covering all full-time employees of an affiliated group of nine corporations: Ace Hardware Home Center, Inc., Ace Hardware of Lakehurst, Inc., Ace Hardware of Mundelein, Inc., Ace Hardware of Round Lake Beach, Inc., Ace Hardware of Libertyville, Inc., Ace Hardware of Gurnee, Inc., Ace Hardware of Wauconda, Inc., Ace Hardware of Waukegan North, Inc. and Ace Hardware of Grayslake, Inc. Employees who have completed one thousand hours of service in a consecutive twelve month period are eligible to participate in the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

2. Contributions. Each participant may elect to defer up to 90% of compensation not to exceed $16,500. The employer may elect to contribute the following:

   Matching contributions for participants who have made salary deferrals not to exceed the lesser of 5% of each participant's total compensation, or 50% of the deferral amount.

3. Investments. The Plan provides a menu of investment options. Employees may direct the investment of all plan contributions based on this menu.

4 Participant Accounts. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of (a) the Company's contribution, (b) Plan earnings or losses, and (c) forfeitures of terminated participants' nonvested accounts. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

5. Vesting. Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's contribution portion of their accounts plus actual earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100 percent vested after seven years of credited service.

6. Forfeitures. Amounts left in the plan because of less than 100% vesting may be applied first to plan administrative expenses. Any remaining amounts will be allocated to remaining plan participants. Forfeited amounts may be restored by returning to work before incurring five consecutive one year breaks in service. As of year ended December 31, 2009, no forfeitures were allocated to remaining plan participants.

A. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (Continued)

7. Participant Loans Receivable. Participants may borrow from their accounts up to a maximum equal to the lesser of $50,000 or 50 percent of their account balance. Loan terms range from one to five years. The loans are secured by the balances in the participants' accounts and bear interest at a prevailing commercial rate for loans of similar types. Repayment must be made at least quarterly in level payments of interest and principal. Interest is charged at rates of approximately 4.25%-9.25%.

8. Payment of Benefits. The normal form of benefit is a lump sum.

B. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the Plan sponsors to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value, the net asset value of shares at year end.

The Plan adopted SFAS 157 as of January 1, 2009. SFAS established a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the input to valuation of techniques used to measure fair market value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quote prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). Three levels of the fair value hierarchy under SFAS 157 are described below:

Basis of Fair Value Measurements

Level 1 – Unadjusted quote prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement fate for the identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities;

Level 2 – Quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active or financial instruments for which all significant inputs are observable ;

Level 3 – Prices or valuations that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

The following table sets forth by level within the fair value hierarchy the Plan investment assets and investment liabilities at fair value, as of December 31, 2009. As required by SFAS 157 assets and liabilities are classified in there entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

B. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Cont.)

	Investment Assets at Fair Value As of December 31, 2008			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Registered Investment Companies	$ 3,073,898	-	-	$3,073,898
Participant loans	-	-	$ 145,454	$ 145,454
	$ 3,073,898	-	$ 145,454	$ 3,219,352

Level 3 Gains and Losses:
The following table sets forth a summary of changes in the fair value of the Plan level 3 assets for the year ended December 31, 2009

	Level 3 Assets Year Ended December 31, 2009
	Participant Loans
Balance Beginning of year	$ 156,858
Settlements (net)	(11,404)
Total	$ 145,454

Shares of registered investment companies are valued at quoted market prices which represent the net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year-end.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Risk and Uncertainties
The Plan Invests in a variety of investment funds. Investments in general are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall volatility risk. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

At year ended December 31, 2009, the amount of $123,928 has not been paid to participants who have withdrawn from the plan. Outstanding loan receivable from terminated participants amounted to $ 7,310.

C. INVESTMENTS

The Plan's investments are maintained in accounts at a brokerage house. Oppenheimer Funds, was selected the primary investment brokerage. Investments are made in a list of investment choices.

FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS

	December 31, 2009		December 31, 2008	
	Number of Shares	Fair Market Value	Number of Shares	Fair Market Value
Oppenheimer Funds CL N				
Global Opportunities	2,278	$ 120,372	2,688	102,553
Strategic Income	4,776	18,864	10,087	37,501
Small & Mid-Cap	1,790	46,060	1,353	24,107
Quest Balanced	13,445	*183,392	10,830	112,411
Value Fund	2,373	44,706	2,103	30,028
Conservative Investor	57,789	*428,795	82,531	*535,629
Moderate Investor	63,522	*496,739	86,848	*558,432
Active Allocation	96,903	*813,987	143,409	*956,540
Equity Investor	9,536	90,307	11,223	77,551
Main Street Opportunities	6,291	67,560	2,857	23,369
Commodity Strategy	4,071	13,761	3,837	11,819
Main Street Small Cap	5,434	87,659	243	2,868
International Diversified	1,519	16,011	460	3,314
Other Securities				
American Funds – Growth FD R	4,296	115,684	4,232	85,482
Aim Real Estate Fund	6,202	110,275	6,024	85,053
Pimco Total Return Fund-R2	38,864	*419,726	7,159	72,593
		$ 3,073,898		$ 2,719,250

C. INVESTMENTS (Continued)

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During year 2009, the Plan's investments (including investments bought, sold, and held during the year) appreciated in value by $ 488,504.

During year 2008, the Plan's investments (including investments bought, sold, and held during the year) depreciated in value by $1,698,893.

D. RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT AMOUNTS TO FORM 5500

Certain items in the Statement of Assets Available for Benefits, and in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits were aggregated in different categories than those required for Form 5500, as follows:

	Per Financial Statement	Reclassification	Amount	Line Reference Form 5500 Schedule H Part I	Line Reference Form 5500 Schedule H Part II
Shares of registered investment companies	$ 3,073,898		3,073,898	1c(13)	
Dividends	34,535	$ (34,535)(1)			
Interest	12,277	(12,200)(3)	77		2b(1)(A)
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	488,504	(488,504)(2)			
Net investment gain from registered investment companies		34,535(1)	34,535		2b(2)(C)
		488,504(2)	488,504		2b(10)
Interest participants' loans		12,200(3)	12,200		2b(1)(E)
Total	$ 3,609,214	-0-	$ 3,609,214		

1) Represents reclassification of income from shares of registered investment companies and money market fund.

2) Represents reclassification of realized and unrealized gains from shares of investment companies.

3) Represents reclassification of interest income from participants' loans.

E. PLAN TERMINATION

While the Company has not expressed any intent to terminate the Plan, all participants' account balances would become fully vested and be distributed to them in the event of such termination.

F. TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated April 22, 2006, that the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan sponsors and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

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Attachment to 2009 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

Plan Name EMPLOYEEs PROFIT SHARING PLAN OF ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER **EIN:** 36-2835061
Plan Sponsor's Name ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER OF ROUND LAKE, INC **PN:** 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Value Fund N	0	44,706
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Quest Balanced Fund N	0	183,392
	Oppenheimer	Oppen Main Street Small Cap N	0	87,659
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Sm- & Mid-Cap Val Fd N	0	46,060
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Strategic Income Fund N	0	18,864
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Cash Reserves N	0	156,630
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Main Street O pportunity Fd N	0	67,560

Attachment to 2009 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

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Plan Sponsor's Name ACE HARDWARE HOME CENTER OF ROUND LAKE, INC **PN:** 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Commodity Strategy Total Ret	0	13,761
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Port Series: Conserv Inv N	0	428,795
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Port Series: Moderate Inv N	0	496,739
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Port Series: Active Alloc N	0	813,988
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Portfolio Series: Equity Inv	0	90,307
	PIMCO	PIMCO Total Return Fund R	0	419,726
	American Funds	American Funds Growth Fnd of Amer R3	0	115,684

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(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	Invesco	Invesco Real Estate Fund R	0	110,275
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer International Diversified N	0	16,011
	Oppenheimer	Oppenheimer Global Fund N	0	120,371
	Participants Loan Account	Various Rates and Maturities	0	145,454