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.**

OMB Nos. 1210-0110
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;
- [ ] 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:
- [X] Form 5558;
- [ ] automatic extension;
- [ ] the DFVC program;
- [ ] special extension (enter description)

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan
THE REPUBLIC OF TEA INC 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

1c Effective date of plan 05/01/1970

2a Plan sponsor's name and address (employer, if for a single-employer plan)
(Address should include room or suite no.)
THE REPUBLIC OF TEA, INC.

17577 MOCKINGBIRD ROAD
NASHVILLE, IL 62263

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
68-0324440

2c Sponsor's telephone number
618-478-5520

2d Business code (see instructions)
311900

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.	10/11/2010	RONALD T RUBIN
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/11/2010	RONALD T RUBIN
	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")
THE REPUBLIC OF TEA, INC.

17577 MOCKINGBIRD ROAD
NASHVILLE, IL 62263

3b Administrator's EIN
68-0324440

3c Administrator's telephone number
618-478-5520

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**	121
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**	88
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	1
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	10
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a**, **6b**, and **6c**	**6d**	99
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**	**6f**	99
g	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	96
h	Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	8
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:
2E 2J 2G 2F 2K

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)	X	**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.**

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A Name of plan
THE REPUBLIC OF TEA INC 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
THE REPUBLIC OF TEA, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
68-0324440

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

AMERICAN FUNDS
5300 ROBIN HOOD RD
NORFOLK, VA 23513-2430

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

JANUS FUNDS
151 DETROIT STREET
DENVER, CO 80206-4805

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

FIDELITY FUNDS
PO BOX 770001
CINCINNATI, OH 45277-0001

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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)

THE COMMERCE TRUST COMPANY

8000 FORSYTH BLVD
ST LOUIS, MO 63105

(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?
21 27 63	TRUSTEE	0	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [X] No [ ]	14266	Yes [X] No [ ]

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

ALLEN, GIBBS & HOULIK, LC

301 N MAIN ST SUITE 1700
WICHITA, KS 67202

(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 50 59 60	RECORDKEEPER	5770	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [X] No [ ]	0	Yes [ ] No [X]

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

(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?
			Yes [ ] No [ ]	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 ☐

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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
(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.	

(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:

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

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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
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DFE/Participating Plan Information

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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
THE REPUBLIC OF TEA, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
68-0324440

Part I **Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)**
(Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: COMMERCE EB CAPITAL PRESERVATION FD

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): COMMERCE BANK, NA

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
43-6334091-000	C	473525

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans)

a Plan name

b Name of plan sponsor	**c** EIN-PN

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

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Financial Information

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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		20356
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	250000	275000
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	15368	
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(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)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	544697	473525
(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)	3309616	4211461
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		330

			(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	4119681	4980672
	Liabilities			
g	Benefit claims payable	1g		7120
h	Operating payables	1h		240
i	Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j	Other liabilities	1j		
k	Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	0	7360
	Net Assets			
l	Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	4119681	4973312

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)	275000	
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	237363	
	(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	356	
	(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
	(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		512719
b	**Earnings on investments:**			
	(1) Interest:			
	(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
	(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)		
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
	(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		0
	(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)	114851	
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		114851
	(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)		702486
c	Other income	2c		
d	Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		1330056
	Expenses			
e	Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
	(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	462775	
	(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)		462775
f	Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		7120
g	Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h	Interest expense	2h		
i	Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)		
	(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	6530	
	(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
	(4) Other	2i(4)		
	(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		6530
j	Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		476425
	Net Income and Reconciliation			
k	Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		853631
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) [ ] Unqualified **(2)** [ ] Qualified **(3)** [X] Disclaimer **(4)** [ ] Adverse

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

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

(1) Name: HOLT & PATTERSON, LLC **(2)** EIN: 84-1684254

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		450000
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
THE REPUBLIC OF TEA INC 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
THE REPUBLIC OF TEA, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
68-0324440

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): 26-0010549

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

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

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 _____

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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

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
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a Name of contributing employer

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(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
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a Name of contributing employer

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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):

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):

The Republic of Tea, Inc.
401(K) Profit Sharing Plan

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED
December 31, 2009 and 2008

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

HOLT & PATTERSON, LLC
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of
The Republic of Tea, Inc. 401(K) Profit Sharing Plan
17577 Mockingbird Road
Nashville, IL 62263

We were engaged to audit the statements of net assets available for benefits of The Republic of Tea, Inc. 401(K) Profit Sharing Plan as of December 31, 2009, and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2009, and the supplemental schedule of Schedule H, line 4i – Assets Held (At End of Year) as of December 31, 2009. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management.

As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the plan administrator instructed us not to perform, and we did not perform, any auditing procedures with respect to the information summarized in Note 3, which was certified by Commerce Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing the information with the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedules. We have been informed by the plan administrator that the trustee holds the Plan's investment assets and executes investment transactions. The plan administrator has obtained a certification from the trustee as of and for the year ended December 31, 2009 that the information provided to the plan administrator by the trustee is complete and accurate.

Because of the significance of the information that we did not audit, we are unable to, and do not, express an opinion on the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedules taken as a whole. The form and content of the information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule, other than that derived from the information certified by the trustee or custodian, have been audited by us in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and, in our opinion, are presented in compliance with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

We have compiled the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits of The Republic of Tea, Inc. 401(K) Profit Sharing Plan as of December 31, 2008, in accordance with Statements on Standards of Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits and, accordingly, do not express and opinion or any other form of assurance on it.

Holt & Patterson, LLC
Chesterfield, MO
September 30, 2010

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The Republic of Tea, Inc. 401(K) Profit Sharing Plan

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The Republic of Tea, Inc. 401(K) Profit Sharing Plan
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

	2009	2008
ASSETS		
Cash	$ 20,356	$ -
Investments at fair value:		
Commerce Trust Company Common/Collective Trust Fund:		
Commerce Employee Benefit Capital Preservation Fund	473,525	544,697
Commerce Trust Company Registered Investment Companies:		
American Funds Capital World Growth and Income R4	1,018,193	704,769
American Funds Growth Fund R4	228,285	192,242
American Funds Investment Company of America R4	293,627	253,590
Commerce Bond	1,159,126	1,113,959
Fidelity Advisor Freedom 2015 T	85,819	67,506
Fidelity Advisor Freedom 2025 T	267,000	137,985
Fidelity Advisor Freedom 2035 T	117,200	52,518
Fidelity Advisor Freedom Inc T	21,900	11,432
Janus Balanced Fund S Shares	651,801	436,775
Ssga S&P 500 Index	368,510	338,841
Total Investments	4,705,342	3,854,313
Receivables:		
Participant elected deferral contributions	-	15,368
Employer matching contributions	275,000	250,000
Total Receivables	275,000	265,368
Total Assets	4,980,342	4,119,681
LIABILITIES		
Excess Contributions Refundable	7,120	-
Accrued Expenses	240	-
Total Liabilities	7,360	-
Net assets available for benefits at fair value	4,972,982	4,119,681
Adjustment from fair value to contract value for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts	330	-
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$ 4,973,312	$ 4,119,681

See Auditor's Report
See Notes to Financial Statements

The Republic of Tea, Inc. 401(K) Profit Sharing Plan
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Year Ended December 31, 2009

	2009
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO	
Investment Income	
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$ 702,486
Interest and dividends	114,851
Total Investment Income	817,337
Contributions	
Employee elected deferral	237,363
Employer matching	275,000
Rollovers	356
Total Contributions	512,719
TOTAL ADDITIONS	1,330,056
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO	
Net depreciation in fair value of investments	-
Benefits paid directly to participants and beneficiaries	462,775
Excess contributions paid to participants	7,120
Contract administrator fees, net of discount	6,530
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	476,425
NET INCREASE (LOSS)	853,631
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	
Beginning of year	4,119,681
End of year	$ 4,973,312

See Auditor's Report
See Notes to Financial Statements

THE REPUBLIC OF TEA, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

NOTE 1 – DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of The Republic of Tea, Inc. 401(K) Profit Sharing Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General:
The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all full-time employees of the company who have one month of service, have attained age 21, and are not members of a collective bargaining unit. It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Contributions:
Participants are permitted to contribute pre-tax deferrals through payroll deductions in an amount not exceeding the limits as outlined by the federal law and IRS guidelines, including catch-up contributions. All employee contributions are 100% vested.

The Plan provides for the Company to make profit sharing contributions at the discretion of the Board of Directors. If the Company decides to make a profit sharing contribution all full-time employees that have at least one year of service, have attained age 21, and are still employed at the end of the year will receive a portion of this contribution. The contribution is allocated to the participant accounts based on the employee's compensation as a percentage of all participants' compensation. Vesting for the profit sharing contribution is based upon years of service. The vesting is determined according to the following schedule: 20% after 2 years, 40% after 3 years, 60% after 4 years, 80% after 5 years, 100% after 6 years. Forfeited amounts are reallocated to each eligible participant in the ratio that each eligible participant's compensation bears to the compensation of all eligible participants for the plan year. At December 31, 2009 and 2008, forfeited non-vested accounts totaling $37,892 and $0 were allocated as an additional profit sharing contribution to each eligible participants account. The Company elected to make a profit sharing contribution of $275,000 and $250,000 respectively for 2009 and 2008.

The plan provides for rollover contributions to the Plan, which is considered 100% vested and non-forfeitable at all times.

Employee and Company profit sharing contributions are invested in funds with the Commerce Trust Company at the option of the participant.

Participant Loans:
The Plan does not allow for participant loans.

Payment of Benefits:
Distributions are made to participants upon retirement, termination of employment, or total and permanent disability. In case of death, distributions are made to the participant's beneficiary. Employees are 100% vested in the profit sharing contributions if the distribution results from disability or death.

Plan Termination:
Although it has not expressed any interest to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan at any time. In the event of termination of the Plan, the account of each participant shall be fully vested and non-forfeitable as of the effective date of complete termination of the Plan and each participant's contribution account shall be distributed to the participant.

THE REPUBLIC OF TEA, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting:
The accompanying financial statements of the Plan have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition:
Assets of the Plan at December 31, 2009 and 2008 are maintained in a Common/Collective Trust, a stable value fund or guaranteed investment contract (GIC), and Registered Investment Companies (mutual funds) with Commerce Trust Company. The investments for all funds, except the GIC Fund, are presented at fair value. Quoted market prices are used to value investments. Shares of mutual funds are valued at quoted market prices that represent the net asset 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. The GIC Fund is fully benefit-responsive and is reported at fair value and adjusted to contract value. Contract value represents the accumulated contributions plus accrued net earnings, less distributions. Fair value of the investment in the GIC Fund, is estimated using discounted cash flows.

Administrative Expenses:
Certain expenses incurred in the administration of the Plan are paid directly by the Company. The plan incurred $6,530 of administrative expenses for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Estimates:
The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires the trustees to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expense during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Fair Value Measurements:
Included in the financial statements are certain financial instruments carried at fair value. The fair value of an asset is the amount at which that asset could be brought or sold in a current transaction between willing parties, that is, other than in a forced liquidation sale. The fair value of a liability is the amount at which that liability could be incurred or settled in a current transaction between willing parties, that is, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures,* establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quotes prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets and liabilities in active markets accessible at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in inactive markets, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, and other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by market data for the term of the instrument. Such inputs include market rates and volatilities, spreads and yield curves. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3: Certain inputs are unobservable (supported by little or no market activity) and significant to the fair value measurement. Unobservable inputs reflect the Plan's best estimate of what hypothetical market participants would use to determine a transaction price for the asset or liability at the reporting date.

THE REPUBLIC OF TEA, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2009 and 2008

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2009 and 2008.

Common stocks, corporate bonds, and U.S. government bonds and securities – Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Mutual funds – Valued at the net asset value (NAV) of shares held by the Plan at year end.

Guaranteed investment contract (GIC) – Valued at fair value by discounting the related cash flows based on current yields of similar instruments with comparable durations considering the creditworthiness of the issuer.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following tables sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value:

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2009	**Level 1**	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
Mutual Funds				
World Stock	$ 1,018,193			$ 1,018,193
Large Growth	228,285			228,285
Large Blend	662,137			662,137
Target Date	470,018			470,018
Retirement Income	21,900			21,900
Moderate Allocation	651,801			651,801
Corporate Bonds				
Intermediate-Term	1,159,126			1,159,126
GIC Fund - Capital Preservation Funds			473,525	473,525
Total Assets at Fair Value	$ 4,211,460		$ 473,525	$ 4,684,985

Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2008	**Level 1**	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
Mutual Funds				
World Stock	$ 704,769			$ 704,769
Large Growth	192,242			192,242
Large Blend	592,430			592,430
Target Date	258,009			258,009
Retirement Income	11,432			11,432
Moderate Allocation	436,775			436,775
Corporate Bonds				
Intermediate-Term	1,113,959			1,113,959
GIC Fund - Capital Preservation Funds			544,697	544,697
Total Assets at Fair Value	$ 3,309,616		$ 544,697	$ 3,854,313

The following table sets forth a summary of changes in the fair value of the plan's Level 3 assets for the year-ended December 31, 2009.

Level 3 Assets Year Ended December 31, 2009	Guaranteed Investment Contract
Balance, beginning of year	$ 544,697
Realized gains/(losses)	2,415
Unrealized gains/(losses) relating to instruments still held at reporting date	8,016
Purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements (net)	(81,603)
Balance, end of year	$ 473,525

NOTE 3 – INVESTMENTS

The following unaudited information included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedules was obtained from data that has been prepared and certified by the trustee as complete and accurate in accordance with section 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

The information certified as complete and accurate by the trustee includes total investments at fair value as detailed in the statement of net assets available for benefits of $4,705,342 at December 31, 2009.

Investments that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets available for plan benefits as summarized by the trustee are as follows:

	2009	2008
Commerce Trust Company Common/Collective Trust Funds at fair value:		
Commerce Employee Benefit Capital Preservation Fund	$ 473,525	$ 544,697
American Funds Capital World Growth and Income R4	1,018,193	704,769
American Funds Investment Company of America R4	293,627	253,590
Commerce Bond	1,159,126	1,113,959
Fidelity Advance Freedom 2025 T	267,000	137,985
Janus Balanced Fund S Shares	651,801	436,775
Ssga S&P 500 Index	368,510	338,841

The following presents the Investment appreciation (depreciation) in value for December 31, 2009 of $702,156 (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year):

	2009
Common/Collective Trust Funds – Guaranteed Investment Contract at fair value	10,431
Mutual Funds	633,299
Corporate Bonds	58,426
	$ 702,156

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NOTE 4 – INVESTMENT CONTRACT

The Plan has a fully benefit-responsive investment contract with Commerce Trust Company. Commerce maintains the contributions in a general account, which is credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The contract is included in the financial statements at fair value and then adjusted to contract value as reported to the Plan by Commerce. Contract value represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value. The contract has certain restrictions that impact the ability to collect the full contract value. Plan management believes the occurrence of events that would cause the plan to transact at less than contract value is not probable. Commerce may not terminate the contract at any amount less than contract value.

Commerce is contractually obligated to pay the principal and specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The crediting interest rate is based on a formula agreed upon with the issuer, but may not be less than 0%. Such interest rates are reviewed on a quarterly basis for resetting. The crediting rate of the contract will track current market yields on a trailing basis.

	2009	2009
Average yields:		
Based on annualized earnings (1)	2.20%	2.62%
Based on interest rate credited to participants (2)	2.20%	2.62%

(1) Computed by dividing the annualized one-day actual earnings of the contract on the last day of the plan year by the fair market value of the investments on the same date.

(2) Computed by dividing the annualized one-day earnings credited to participants on the last day of the plan year by the fair value of the investments on the same date.

NOTE 5 – TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated April 23, 2003, that the Plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator 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 IRC and, therefore, is exemption from Federal income taxes.

NOTE 6 – PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are funds managed by Commerce Trust Company. Commerce Trust Company is the trustee as defined by the Plan. Commerce Trust Company also maintains the investments and allocates the money to each fund specified. They receive a fee for these investment management and trustee services. These transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. The fees paid by the Company for these services were $14,226 for 2009.

Allen, Gibbs, & Houlik, L.C. handles all administrative and record keeping duties. They receive fees for these administrative services. There are no transactions within this process that qualify as party-in-interest transactions. The administrative fees paid by the Plan for these services were $5,770 for 2009.

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NOTE 7 – RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment funds. Investment funds are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment funds, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment funds will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

NOTE 8 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

For the year ended December 31, 2009, the Company has evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition and disclosure through September 30, 2010, the date of the financial statements. In 2010, the Company elected to change third party administrators and investment fund managers and trustees. This change became effective March 1, 2010.

NOTE 9 – EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS REFUNDABLE

At December 31, 2009 and 2008, payables of $7,120 and $0 respectively are recorded for amounts refundable by the Plan to participants for contributions made in excess of amounts allowed by the Internal Revenue Service.

SUPPLEMENTARY

INFORMATION

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*	Commerce Trust Company	Janus Balanced Fund S Shares		651,801
*	Commerce Trust Company	Ssga S&P 500 Index		368,510
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