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
ARETE ASSOCIATES 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1985

2a Plan sponsor's name and address (employer, if for a single-employer plan)
(Address should include room or suite no.)
ARETE ASSOCIATES

9301 CORBIN AVE
NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
95-2954108

2c Sponsor's telephone number
818-885-2200

2d Business code (see instructions)
541700

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.	10/15/2010	SALLIE A. DI VINCENZO
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/15/2010	CHRIS CHOI
	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")
ARETE ASSOCIATES

9301 CORBIN AVE
NORTHRIDGE, CA 91324

3b Administrator's EIN
95-2954108

3c Administrator's telephone number
818-885-2200

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**	454
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**	391
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	84
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a**, **6b**, and **6c**	**6d**	475
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**	**6f**	475
g	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	459
h	Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	10
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 2F 2G 2J 3D 3F

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.**

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

A Name of plan
ARETE ASSOCIATES 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
ARETE ASSOCIATES

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
95-2954108

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).. . . . . ☐ 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

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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)

T. ROWE PRICE

52-1714114

(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 21 25 28 37 38 49 50 52 59 62 64 65	RECORDKEEPER	1299	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [X] No [ ]	0	Yes [X] No [ ]

(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)

(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 [ ]

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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
T. ROWE PRICE	15 21 25 28 37 38 49 50 52 59 62 64 65	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.
AMER. EUROPACIFIC GROWTH R4 5300 ROBIN HOOD ROAD NORFOLK, VA 23513-2407	FEE FOR SHAREHOLDER SERVICING BASED UPON 0.35%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
T. ROWE PRICE	15 21 25 28 37 38 49 50 52 59 62 64 65	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.
ARTISAN MID CAP ARTISAN PARTNERS, 875 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE, SUITE 800 MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	FEE FOR SHAREHOLDER SERVICING BASED UPON 0.35%

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	**(b)** Service Codes (see instructions)	**(c)** Enter amount of indirect compensation
T. ROWE PRICE	15 21 25 28 37 38 49 50 52 59 62 64 65	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.
FIRST EAGLE OVERSEAS FUND C/O DST SYSTEMS, 330 W 9TH ST KANSAS CITY, MO 64105	FEE FOR SHAREHOLDER SERVICING BASED UPON 0.25%

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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T. ROWE PRICE	15 21 25 28 37 38 49 50 52 59 62 64 65	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 TOTAL RETURN ADMIN 840 NEWPORT CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 300 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	FEE FOR SHAREHOLDER SERVICING BASED UPON 0.25%

(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
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

DFE/Participating Plan Information

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ARETE ASSOCIATES 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
ARETE ASSOCIATES

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
95-2954108

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: STABLE VALUE FUND

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): T. ROWE PRICE TRUST COMPANY

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)
52-1309931-001	C	5228412

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:

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

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

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

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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

a Plan name

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

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Financial Information

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ARETE ASSOCIATES

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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		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(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)	349115	372430
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	3712659	5228412
(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)	30337795	43389017
(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	34399569	48989859
	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	34399569	48989859

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)	1634658	
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	3008196	
	(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	458346	
	(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
	(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		5101200
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)	24047	
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
	(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		24047
	(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)	797	
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		797
	(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)		364503
(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)		9972897
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		15463444
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	871855	
(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)		871855
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)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)	1299	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		1299
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		873154
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		14590290
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: ROMBERGER, WILSON & BEESON, INC. (2) EIN: 95-3654092

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		1500000
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
ARETE ASSOCIATES 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
ARETE ASSOCIATES

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
95-2954108

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): 52-1481931

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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(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) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify):

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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):

ARETÉ ASSOCIATES
401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009
AND AT DECEMBER 31, 2008

ROMBERGER, WILSON & BEESON, INC.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

ARETÉ ASSOCIATES
401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

July 7, 2010

To the Trustee of Areté Associates
401(K) Profit Sharing Plan

We were engaged to audit the accompanying statement of net assets available for benefits – modified cash basis of the Areté Associates 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan as of December 31, 2009 and 2008, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits – modified cash basis for the year ended December 31, 2009 and the supplemental schedule as of December 31, 2009 as listed in the accompanying index. These financial statements and supplemental schedule 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 Notes 3 and 6, which was certified by T. Rowe Price Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing the information with the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule. 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 December 31, 2009 and 2008, and for the year ended December 31, 2009, that the information provided to the Plan Administrator by the trustee is complete and accurate.

As described in Note 2, these financial statements and the supplemental schedule were prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

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 schedule 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, have been audited by us on the basis of accounting described in Note 2, 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.

Romberger, Wilson + Beeson, Inc.

ARETÉ ASSOCIATES
401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE
FOR BENEFITS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS

	December 31, 2009	December 31, 2008
ASSETS		
Investments with Trust Companies at Fair Value:		
Mutual Funds	$ 43,389,017	$ 30,337,795
Common Trust Fund	5,228,412	3,712,659
Participant Loans	372,430	349,115
Total Investments	48,989,859	34,399,569
TOTAL ASSETS	48,989,859	34,399,569
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$ 48,989,859	$ 34,399,569

- See Accompanying Notes -

ARETÉ ASSOCIATES
401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2009

Additions to Net Assets Attributed to:	
Investment Income:	
Interest Income	$ 197,537
Common Trust Fund Market Value Adjustment	191,810
Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments	9,972,897
Contributions:	
Employer	1,634,658
Employee	3,008,196
Rollover	458,346
Total Additions	15,463,444
Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to:	
Distributions	871,855
Administrative Expenses	1,299
Total Deductions	873,154
Net Increase	14,590,290
Net Assets Available for Benefits:	
Beginning of Year	34,399,569
End of Year	$ 48,989,859

- See Accompanying Notes -

1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Areté Associates ("Company") 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan (the "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 for eligible employees of Areté Associates.

Contributions

Participants may elect to contribute a portion of their compensation up to a maximum percentage, as defined by the Plan. For all contributions, participants may choose to have their contributions made entirely to any or all of the funds available.

Participant Accounts

Participant contributions are maintained in an individual account on behalf of the participant. All contributions are held in trust and invested with an investment manager designated by the Plan trustee.

Vesting and Forfeitures

Participant contributions and earnings on those contributions vest immediately and are non-forfeitable. Employer discretionary contributions vest after two years of service (as defined by the Plan). If a participant terminates employment prior to completing two years of service, all non-vested amounts are forfeited to the Plan. Forfeitures of terminated non-vested account balances allocated to remaining participants at December 31, 2009 totaled $30,392.

Investment Options

Upon enrollment in the Plan, a participant may direct contributions to be invested in specified mutual funds or an investment contract.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount, periodic installments or a paid-up annuity contract equal to the value of the participant's vested balances. Benefits are recorded when paid.

Loans to Participants

Participants may borrow from their accounts up to the lesser of $50,000 or 50% of their account balance. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates ranging from 5.25% to 10.25%. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions. Loans to participants are valued at the principal amounts outstanding.

1. Description of Plan (continued)

Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act. In the event of plan termination, participants' interests would become fully vested and distributed in accordance with Plan provisions.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the modified cash basis of accounting. Under the modified cash basis of accounting, additions to plan assets are generally recognized when received and deductions are recognized when disbursed.

The common trust fund is subject to the provisions of the Financial Accounting Standards Board *Accounting Standards Codification* (ASC) Topic 946-210, which addresses reporting of fully benefit-responsive investment contracts held by investment companies. As described in the ASC, investments held by an investment company are required to be reported at fair value. However, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets of an investment company attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan that invests in the common trust fund.

Investment Valuation

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value.

Use of Estimates

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

Date of Management's Review

Subsequent events were evaluated through July 7, 2010, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

3. Investments

The following presents investments that represent 5 percent or more of the Plan's net assets.

	2009	2008
T. Rowe Price Stable Value Fund	$ 5,228,412	$ 3,712,659
American Europacific Growth Fund	3,418,772	2,116,752
T. Rowe Price New Horizons Fund	3,010,111	1,870,751
T. Rowe Price Small-Cap Value Fund	3,686,768	2,770,837
T. Rowe Price Equity Index 500 Fund	3,860,525	2,940,226
T. Rowe Price Balanced Fund	6,394,077	4,789,360
T. Rowe Price Equity Income Fund	5,787,050	4,118,213
T. Rowe Price Spectrum Income Fund	-	1,765,812
T. Rowe Price Blue Chip Growth Fund	7,848,347	5,234,358

4. Fair Value Measurements

The following table presents the Plan's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1), significant other observable inputs (Level 2) and significant unobservable inputs (Level 3):

Description	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1)	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2)	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3)	Total
December 31, 2009				
Mutual Funds	$ 43,389,017	$ -	$ -	$ 43,389,017
Common Trust Fund	-	-	5,228,412	5,228,412
Participant Loans	-	-	372,430	372,430
Total	$ 43,389,017	$ -	$ 5,600,842	$ 48,989,859
December 31, 2008				
Mutual Funds	$ 30,337,795	$ -	$ -	$ 30,337,795
Common Trust Fund	-	-	3,712,659	3,712,659
Participant Loans	-	-	349,115	349,115
Total	$ 30,337,795	$ -	$ 4,061,774	$ 34,399,569

4. Fair Value Measurements (continued)

The following schedules reconcile the beginning and ending assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) during the years ending December 31, 2009 and 2008.

	Common Trust Fund	Participant Loans	Total
December 31, 2009			
Beginning Balance	$ 3,712,659	$ 349,115	$ 4,061,774
Total gains or losses (unrealized / realized) Included in changes in net assets available for benefits	364,503	-	364,503
Purchases, issuances and settlements	1,151,250	23,315	1,174,565
Ending Balance	$ 5,228,412	$ 372,430	$ 5,600,842
December 31, 2008			
Beginning Balance	$ 3,280,683	$ 221,696	$ 3,502,379
Total gains or losses (unrealized / realized) Included in changes in net assets available for benefits	89,039	-	89,039
Purchases, issuances and settlements	342,937	127,419	470,356
Ending Balance	$ 3,712,659	$ 349,115	$ 4,061,774

Gains and losses (realized and unrealized) included in changes in net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008 are reported in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

The fair value of the common trust fund is described in Note 6. The fair value of mutual funds is based on quoted net asset values of the shares held by the Plan at year end. The fair value of participant loans equals the amortized cost of the loans because the loans are secured by each respective participant's account balance.

5. Tax Status

The Plan adopted the T. Rowe Price Prototype plan effective July 1, 1997. The prototype plan documents have been approved by the Internal Revenue Service. The Plan was amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator and the Company believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

6. Investment Contract

Description

The Plan's investments include the T. Rowe Price Stable Value Common Trust, which invests principally in guaranteed investment contracts (GICs), synthetic investment contracts (SICs), and other similar instruments which are intended to maintain a constant net asset value while permitting participant-initiated withdrawals.

Operation

Investment transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Income from investment contracts is recorded at the contract rate, which in the case of SICs is referred to as the crediting rate. For fully benefit responsive SICs, earnings on underlying assets are factored into the next computation of the crediting rate re-set.

These contracts have varying yields and maturity dates and are fully benefit responsive. They are stated at contract value which represents cost plus accrued income less redemptions. The fair value of the GICs has been estimated by discounting the related cash flows based on current yields of similar instruments with comparable durations. Individual assets of the SICs are valued at representative market prices. The fair value of the wrap contracts reflects the discounted present value of the difference between the current wrap contract cost and its replacement cost, based on issuer quotes.

Yields

	2009	2008
Average Yields:		
Based on actual earnings	4.36%	4.84%
Based on interest rate credited to participants	4.26%	4.23%

Limitations on Contract Value Transactions

The existence of certain conditions can limit the trust's ability to transact at contract value with the issuers of its investment contracts. These conditions include the termination or tax disqualification of the Plan or trust, and certain trust amendments if the issuers' consent is not obtained. As of December 31, 2009, the occurrence of an event outside the normal operation of the trust which would cause a withdrawal from an investment contract is not considered to be probable.

6. Investment Contract (continued)

Issuer-Initiated Contract Termination

Contract termination can result from certain breaches by the trust of its obligations, representations, or warranties with settlement at an amount which differs from contract value.

Contract Withdrawal

Pursuant to the declaration of trust, the Plan may withdraw from the trust with a twelve month advance written notice provided to the trustee.

7. Party-in-Interest Transactions

The Plan has investments in mutual funds managed by T. Rowe Price. T. Rowe Price Trust Company is the trustee of the Plan; therefore, T. Rowe Price is a party-in-interest.

8. Administration of Plan Assets

Certain administrative functions are performed by officers or employees of the Company. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan. Account transaction fees charged by T. Rowe Price are paid directly from Plan assets. Other administrative expenses for the Plan are paid by the Company.

9. Plan Amendments

During 2009 the Plan was amended to allow contributions and direct rollovers of Roth Elective Deferrals.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

NAME OF PLAN:
ARETÉ ASSOCIATES
401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

TAX ID # 95-2954108
PLAN # 002
YEAR ENDED 12/31/2009

SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

(A)	(B) ISSUER	(C) DESCRIPTION/ INTEREST RATES		(E) CURRENT VALUE
*	T. Rowe Price	Artisan Mid Cap Fund		$ 885,141
*	T. Rowe Price	Stable Value Fund		5,228,412
*	T. Rowe Price	American Europacific Growth Fund		3,418,772
*	T. Rowe Price	PIMCO Total Return Fund		2,179,390
*	T. Rowe Price	Mid-Cap Value Fund		1,933,172
*	T. Rowe Price	New Horizons Fund		3,010,111
*	T. Rowe Price	Small-Cap Value Fund		3,686,768
*	T. Rowe Price	Equity Index 500 Fund		3,860,525
*	T. Rowe Price	U.S. Treasury Money Fund		1,750,285
*	T. Rowe Price	First Eagle Overseas Fund		68,270
*	T. Rowe Price	Science & Technology Fund		707,587
*	T. Rowe Price	Balanced Fund		6,394,077
*	T. Rowe Price	Equity Income Fund		5,787,050
*	T. Rowe Price	Spectrum Income Fund		1,859,522
*	T. Rowe Price	Blue Chip Growth Fund		7,848,347
	Participant Loans	Interest Rates from 5.25% - 10.25%		372,430
	Total			$ 48,989,859

* Denotes party-in-interest

- See Accompanying Notes -

Plan Name	**Arete Associates 401(K) Profit Sharing Plan**
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Plan Year Ending	**12/31/2009**

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