

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). <p style="text-align: center;">▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</p>	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2010 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2010 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2010</u> and ending <u>12/31/2010</u>	
A This return/report is for:	☐ a multiemployer plan; ☐ a multiple-employer plan; or ☒ 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:	☒ Form 5558; ☐ automatic extension; ☐ the DFVC program; ☐ special extension (enter description)

Part II	Basic Plan Information —enter all requested information				
1a Name of plan <u>RETIREMENT PLAN OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: center;"><u>001</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">1c Effective date of plan <u>05/01/1951</u></td> </tr> </table>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>05/01/1951</u>	
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1c Effective date of plan <u>05/01/1951</u>					
2a Plan sponsor's name and address (employer, if for a single-employer plan) (Address should include room or suite no.) <u>PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.</u> <u>4720 PIEDMONT ROW DRIVE</u> <u>CHARLOTTE, NC 28210</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>56-0556998</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2c Sponsor's telephone number <u>704-364-3120</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2d Business code (see instructions) <u>221210</u></td> </tr> </table>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>56-0556998</u>	2c Sponsor's telephone number <u>704-364-3120</u>	2d Business code (see instructions) <u>221210</u>	
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2d Business code (see instructions) <u>221210</u>					

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.	10/14/2011	RENEE H. METZLER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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3a Plan administrator's name and address (if same as plan sponsor, enter "Same") PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC. 4720 PIEDMONT ROW DRIVE CHARLOTTE, NC 28210	3b Administrator's EIN 56-0556998 3c Administrator's telephone number 704-364-3120
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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
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5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	2369
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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	1618
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b	283
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits.....	6c	309
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a , 6b , and 6c	6d	2210
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.....	6e	90
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	2300
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item).....	6g	
h Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6h	7

7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	
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8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:
 1A 1E 1G 3H

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) ☒ 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) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
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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) ☒ 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) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)
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SCHEDULE SB (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2010 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2010 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2010 and ending 12/31/2010

▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**

▶ **Caution:** A penalty of \$1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.

A Name of plan <u>RETIREMENT PLAN OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF <u>PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>56-0556998</u>
E Type of plan: ☒ Single ☐ Multiple-A ☐ Multiple-B	F Prior year plan size: ☐ 100 or fewer ☐ 101-500 ☒ More than 500

Part I	Basic Information
1 Enter the valuation date: Month <u>01</u> Day <u>01</u> Year <u>2010</u>	
2 Assets:	
a Market value	2a <u>211308263</u>
b Actuarial value	2b <u>222270446</u>
3 Funding target/participant count breakdown	
	(1) Number of participants (2) Funding Target
a For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment	3a <u>362</u> <u>34854813</u>
b For terminated vested participants	3b <u>310</u> <u>12399192</u>
c For active participants:	
(1) Non-vested benefits	3c(1) <u>7003549</u>
(2) Vested benefits	3c(2) <u>109278451</u>
(3) Total active	3c(3) <u>1698</u> <u>116282000</u>
d Total	3d <u>2370</u> <u>163536005</u>
4 If the plan is at-risk, check the box and complete items (a) and (b)	☐
a Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions	4a
b Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been at-risk for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor	4b
5 Effective interest rate	5 <u>6.62</u> %
6 Target normal cost	6 <u>5315670</u>

Statement by Enrolled Actuary

To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

SIGN HERE	<u>10/07/2011</u>
Signature of actuary	Date
<u>GARO AGHJAYAN</u>	<u>11-06816</u>
Type or print name of actuary	Most recent enrollment number
<u>MERCER</u>	<u>704-805-7500</u>
Firm name	Telephone number (including area code)
<u>100 N. TRYON STREET, SUITE 3400</u> <u>CHARLOTTE, NC 28202-4023</u>	
Address of the firm	

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions ☐

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Part II	Beginning of year carryover and prefunding balances	(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
7	Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (Item 13 from prior year)	12343682	0
8	Portion used to offset prior year's funding requirement (Item 35 from prior year)	0	0
9	Amount remaining (Item 7 minus item 8).....	12343682	0
10	Interest on item 9 using prior year's actual return of <u>23.76</u> %	2932859	0
11	Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
a	Excess contributions (Item 38 from prior year)		15701931
b	Interest on (a) using prior year's effective rate of <u>6.53</u> %		1025336
c	Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance		16727267
d	Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance.....		0
12	Reduction in balances due to elections or deemed elections.....		0
13	Balance at beginning of current year (item 9 + item 10 + item 11d – item 12).....	15276541	0

Part III	Funding percentages		
14	Funding target attainment percentage.....	14	126.57 %
15	Adjusted funding target attainment percentage.....	15	135.91 %
16	Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement.....	16	107.86 %
17	If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage.....	17	%

Part IV	Contributions and liquidity shortfalls				
18 Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:					
(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees
11/10/2010	22000000				
Totals ►			18(b)	22000000	18(c)
					0

19 Discounted employer contributions – see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:

a Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contribution from prior years.....	19a	0
b Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date	19b	0
c Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date.....	19c	20823324

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

a Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b If 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? ☐ Yes ☐ No

c If 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:

Liquidity shortfall as of end of Quarter of this plan year			
(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th

Part V Assumptions used to determine funding target and target normal cost

21 Discount rate:				
a Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.60 %	2nd segment: 6.65 %	3rd segment: 6.76 %	☐ N/A, full yield curve used
b Applicable month (enter code)				21b 0
22 Weighted average retirement age				22 61
23 Mortality table(s) (see instructions) ☐ Prescribed - combined ☒ Prescribed - separate ☐ Substitute				

Part VI Miscellaneous items

24 Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.	☐ Yes ☒ No
25 Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.	☒ Yes ☐ No
26 Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.....	☒ Yes ☐ No
27 If the plan is eligible for (and is using) alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment.....	27

Part VII Reconciliation of unpaid minimum required contributions for prior years

28 Unpaid minimum required contribution for all prior years	28	0
29 Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (item 19a).....	29	0
30 Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (item 28 minus item 29)	30	0

Part VIII Minimum required contribution for current year

31 Target normal cost, adjusted, if applicable (see instructions).....	31	
32 Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance	Installment
a Net shortfall amortization installment	0	0
b Waiver amortization installment	0	0
33 If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____) and the waived amount	33	
34 Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (item 31 + item 32a + item 32b – item 33).....	34	0
	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance
35 Balances used to offset funding requirement		Total balance
		0
36 Additional cash requirement (item 34 minus item 35).....	36	0
37 Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (Item 19c).....	37	20823324
38 Interest-adjusted excess contributions for current year (see instructions).....	38	20823324
39 Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of item 36 over item 37).....	39	0
40 Unpaid minimum required contribution for all years	40	0

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information 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.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2010
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For calendar plan year 2010 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2010 and ending 12/31/2010		
A Name of plan RETIREMENT PLAN OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-0556998

Part I	Service Provider Information (see instructions)
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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)

MERCER HUMAN RESOURCE CONSULTING

13-2834414

(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?
11	ACTUARY	242148	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

FISHER INVESTMENTS, INC

02-0432775

(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?
28 19	INVST MGR	156598	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

DODGE & COX

94-1441976

(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?
28	INVST MGR	35137	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

WACHOVIA

22-1147033

(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	TRUSTEE	9547	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

AON CONSULTING

59-2706923

(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?
28	INVST ADVSR	117920	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

JANUS INTECH

52-2391973

(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?
19 28	INVST MGR	23399	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

THOMPSON, SIEGEL & WALMSLEY, LLC

54-0854396

(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?
28	INVST MGR	269247	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.

56-1354495

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
10 11 14 15 21 25 27 28	TRUSTEE	59688	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

PACIFIC INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

33-0629048

(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?
28	INVST MGR	209459	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

(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.

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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:

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):**c** EIN-PN**d** Entity
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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

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

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 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 2010 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
For calendar plan year 2010 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2010 and ending 12/31/2010		
A Name of plan RETIREMENT PLAN OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-0556998

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)	155953	5383051
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	3491224	7258728
(2) U.S. Government securities.....	1c(2)		33772574
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)	3353862	23006255
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	420191	327214
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	53826013	57327931
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		982215
(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)	442488	
(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)	21306452	
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	1c(13)	111504438	145958952
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)	142511	

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(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	194643132	274016920

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j	547296	17304352
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	547296	17304352

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	194095836	256712568
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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)	44531000	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)		
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		44531000
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	7550	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	4490590	
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	593716	
(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)		5091856
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	6386469	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	671132	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		7057601
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	932642552	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	932661089	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		-18537

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
2b (5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	4082069	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		4082069
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		811805
(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)		771743
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	2b(10)		12295397
c Other income.....	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		74622934

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	10414036	
(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)		10414036
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)	257436	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)	811763	
(4) Other	2i(4)	53947	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		1123146
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		11537182

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		63085752
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		469020

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) ☒ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

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

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

(1) Name: MCGLADREY & PULLEN, LLP

(2) EIN: 42-0714325

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.).....		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.).....		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.)		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.).....		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?.....	X		3000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		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?		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?		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.).....	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.).....	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?.....		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.).....		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.			

- 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)
PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC. WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN	56-0556998	501

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
		2010
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2010 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2010 and ending 12/31/2010

A Name of plan <u>RETIREMENT PLAN OF PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>56-0556998</u>

Part I	Distributions
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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	<u>0</u>
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): <u>56-1354495</u>		
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	<u>54</u>

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice and OMB Control Numbers, see the instructions for Form 5500.

Schedule R (Form 5500) 2010
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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):

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):

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):

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):

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):

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: 39% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: 61%

- 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): _____

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits as of December 31,
2010 and 2009 and Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available
for Benefits for the Years Ended December 31, 2010 and 2009

Supplemental Schedules as of December 31, 2010 and Independent
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NOTE: All other schedules required by Section 2520.103-10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 have been omitted because they are not applicable.



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Benefits Committee and Participants in the
Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
Charlotte, North Carolina

We were engaged to audit the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the supplemental schedules, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2010 and Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j – Schedule of Reportable Transactions for the year ended December 31, 2010. These financial statements and supplemental schedules are the responsibility of the Plan's management.

As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the United States 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 5, which was certified or provided by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the current trustee of the Plan, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, and Wachovia Bank, N.A., the former trustee of the Plan as of December 31, 2009, except for comparing this information with the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedules. We have been informed by the Plan Administrator that the current and former trustee holds/held the Plan's assets and executes/executed transactions. The Plan Administrator has obtained certifications from the trustees regarding the completeness and accuracy of the information summarized in Note 5 that was provided to the Plan Administrator by the current trustee as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010 and the former trustee as of December 31, 2009.

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 schedules taken as a whole. The form and content of the information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedules, other than that derived from the information certified or provided by the current and former trustees, have been audited by us in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and, in our opinion, are presented in compliance with the United States Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

As discussed in Note 12, certain balances on the statement of net assets available for plan benefits and the statement of changes in net assets available for plan benefits as of December 31, 2009 have been restated due to the incorrect recognition of certain prior year amounts as contributions in the year received instead of the year for which the contributions were made.

McGladrey & Pullen, LLP

Charlotte, North Carolina
October 10, 2011

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2010 and 2009**

	2010	2009 (As Restated)
Assets		
Investments - at fair value:		
Cash equivalents	\$ 7,443,636	\$ 2,843,825
Government and agency bonds	33,472,847	-
Corporate bonds	21,456,782	702,691
Corporate stocks - common	37,682,682	38,780,057
Mutual funds - equity	25,255,850	-
Mutual funds - international equity	31,321,219	22,129,620
Common trust fund - equity	20,085,906	36,880,042
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	2,606,394
Contracts and other	1,030,556	-
Asset-backed securities	490,917	44,777
Mutual funds - fixed taxable bonds	71,456,847	75,659,706
Outside collective funds	982,215	142,511
Hedge fund - equity/other	12,581,595	9,540,860
Total investments	263,261,052	189,330,483
Net assets held in 401(h) account	5,390,136	4,860,610
Cash	10,000	322,991
Receivables:		
Employer contributions	-	22,000,000
Due from banker for securities purchased	4,923,843	41,964
Accrued interest and dividends	431,888	86,791
Total receivables	5,355,731	22,128,755
Total assets	274,016,919	216,642,839
Liabilities		
Amounts related to obligation of 401(h) account	5,390,136	4,860,610
Due to broker for securities purchased	17,062,367	424,328
Accrued administrative expenses	241,985	122,673
Total liabilities	22,694,488	5,407,611
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 251,322,431	\$ 211,235,228

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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**Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
For the Years Ended December 31, 2010 and 2009**

	2010	2009 (As Restated)
Additions to net assets attributed to:		
Investment income:		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 16,375,765	\$ 28,429,902
Interest	5,110,405	1,100,697
Dividends and other	8,138,997	6,117,267
Total investment income	29,625,167	35,647,866
Employer contributions	22,000,000	22,000,000
Total additions	51,625,167	57,647,866
Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid directly to participants	10,414,036	8,182,514
Administrative expenses	1,123,928	872,131
Total deductions	11,537,964	9,054,645
Net increase	40,087,203	48,593,221
Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year, as previously reported	-	140,642,007
Adjustment for prior year receivable not recorded	-	22,000,000
Beginning of year, as restated	211,235,228	162,642,007
End of year	\$ 251,322,431	\$ 211,235,228

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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Note 1. Description of the Plan

The following brief description of the Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information.

General: The Plan is a defined benefit pension plan covering most employees of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (the "Company"). The Benefits Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company controls and manages the operation and administration of the Plan. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. ("Wells Fargo") serves as the current trustee of the Plan with Wachovia Bank, N.A. serving as the former trustee of the Plan, and together with the Benefits Committee manages the Plan's investments. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Effective January 1, 2008, the Plan was amended for all employees not covered by the bargaining unit contract in Nashville, Tennessee to close the Plan to employees hired after December 31, 2007 and to modify how benefits are accrued in the future for existing employees. Employees hired prior to January 1, 2008 will continue to participate in the amended traditional defined benefit pension plan. These same amendments were effective on January 1, 2009 for employees covered by the bargaining unit contract in Nashville, Tennessee.

Employees hired or rehired after December 31, 2007 (or December 31, 2008 for employees covered by the bargaining unit contract in Nashville, Tennessee) will not participate in the amended traditional pension plan but will be participants in the new Money Purchase Pension ("MPP") plan, a defined contribution pension plan that allows the employee to direct the investments.

Pension benefits: In general, monthly retirement benefits begin at age 65 and are determined based on a participant's year of birth, final average compensation, social security taxable wage bases and years of service. The Plan also provides for early retirement and late retirement.

For service earned after December 31, 2007, a consistent rate will be applied to each year of service so that employees accrue benefits more evenly. For service earned prior to January 1, 2008, the rate used in the formula to calculate an employee's pension benefit is greater for the first twenty years of service than it is for the next fifteen years of service. Employees can be credited with up to a total of 35 years of service. When an employee leaves the Company, his benefit payment will be calculated as the greater of the accrued benefit as of December 31, 2007 under the old formula plus the accrued benefit under the new formula for years of service after December 31, 2007, or the benefit for all years of service up to 35 years under the new formula.

Vesting: The Plan provides for full vesting of benefits after five years of service.

Payment of benefits: Benefits to participants are paid as a straight life annuity, joint and 50%/75%/100% survivor annuity, at 5, 10, and 15-year certain and life options, or as a lump-sum payment. Straight life annuity and lump-sum options require the spouse's consent.

Death and disability benefits: The Plan contains provisions for the payment of early retirement benefits, disability benefits, and vested benefits at termination for reasons other than retirement or disability.

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Note 1. Description of the Plan (Continued)

401(h) account: A separate account has been established and maintained in the Plan for the net assets related to the medical-benefit component ("401(h) account"). In accordance with IRC Section 401(h), the Plan's investments in the 401(h) account may not be used for, or diverted to, any purpose other than providing health benefits for retirees and their beneficiaries. Any assets transferred to the 401(h) account from the defined benefit pension plan in a qualified transfer of excess pension plan assets (and any income allocable thereto) that are not used during the Plan year must be transferred out of the account to the pension plan. The related obligations for health benefits are not included in this Plan's obligations in the statement of accumulated plan benefits but are reflected as obligations in the financial statements of the health and welfare benefit plan. Plan participants do not contribute to the 401(h) account. Employer contributions or qualified transfers to the 401(h) account are determined annually and are at the discretion of the Company. Certain of the Plan's net assets are restricted to fund a portion of postretirement health benefits for retirees and their beneficiaries in accordance with IRC Section 401(h).

Note 2. Summary of Accounting Policies

Accounting records: The accounting records of the Plan are maintained by the current trustee, Wells Fargo, and were previously maintained by the former trustee, Wachovia Bank, N.A. Annual financial statements and supplemental schedules are furnished to the Plan by the trustee.

Basis of accounting: The accounts of the Plan are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Plan Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and net assets available for benefits, and changes therein, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits at the date of the financial statements and changes therein. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment valuation and income recognition: The Plan's investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 7 for discussion of fair value measurements.

We utilize market data or assumptions about risk and the risks inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. These inputs can be readily observable, market corroborated or generally observable. We primarily apply the market approach for recurring fair value measurements and endeavor to utilize the best available information. Accordingly, we use valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. We are able to classify fair value balances based on the observance of those inputs into the fair value hierarchy levels as set forth in the fair value accounting guidance.

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Note 2. Summary of Accounting Policies (Continued)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for investments measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2010 and 2009.

Cash equivalents: Valued at the net asset value ("NAV") of the funds in which it participates at year-end.

Common stock and hedging instruments: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Mutual funds and net assets held in 401(h) accounts: Valued at the NAV of shares held by the Plan at year end as reported on the active market on which the funds are traded.

Common trust fund and multi-strategy hedge fund: Valued at the NAV of the funds in which it participates at year-end.

Corporate bonds, collateralized mortgage obligations, government and agency bonds, asset-backed securities and mortgage-backed pass-throughs: Valued based on a compilation of primary observable market information or a broker quote in a non-active market.

Our Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) or NAVs in active markets that we have the ability to access as of the reporting date and consist of investments in common stock, and mutual funds. Level 2 inputs which are inputs other than quoted prices in active markets included in Level 1, which are directly or indirectly corroborated or observable as of the reporting date and generally use valuation methodologies, consist of corporate bonds, collateralized mortgage obligations, asset-backed securities, mortgage-backed pass-throughs, common trust funds, and a multi-strategy hedge fund. These investments are Level 2 inputs as their fair value is estimated using pricing models and discounted cash flows that consider standard input factors such as observable market data, benchmark yields, interest rate volatilities, broker/dealer quotes, and credit spreads. Level 3 inputs which are unobservable include outside collective funds in the current year.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although 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.

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. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Management fees and operating expenses charged to the Plan for investments in the mutual funds and common trust funds are deducted from income earned on a daily basis and are not separately reflected. Consequently, management fees and operating expenses are reflected as a reduction of investment return for such investments.

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Note 2. Summary of Accounting Policies (Continued)

Risks and uncertainties: The Plan utilizes various investment instruments including U.S. government securities, corporate debt instruments, mutual funds, and corporate stocks. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in values of investment securities will occur in the near term and those changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Plan contributions are made and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits are prepared based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, inflation rates, and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimation and assumption process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term could be material to the financial statements.

Payment of benefits: Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution.

Administrative expenses: Administrative expenses of the Plan are paid by the Plan, as provided by the Plan document.

Income taxes: Management evaluated the Plan's tax positions in accordance with the FASB guidance on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes and concluded that the Plan had maintained its tax exempt status and had taken no uncertain tax positions that require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Therefore, no provision or liability for income taxes has been included in the financial statements. With few exceptions, the Plan is no longer subject to income tax examinations by U.S. federal, state, or local tax authorities for years before 2007.

Subsequent events: The Plan Administrator has evaluated subsequent events (events occurring after December 31, 2010) through October 10, 2011, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Accounting pronouncements adopted: In January 2010, the FASB released accounting guidance that requires new fair value measurement classification disclosures and clarifies existing disclosures. The guidance requires disclosures about transfers into and out of Levels 1 and 2 of the fair value hierarchy, and separate disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements relating to Level 3 measurements. It also clarifies the existing fair value disclosures regarding valuation techniques, inputs used in those valuation models and at what level of detail fair value disclosures should be provided. The guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the disaggregation of the Level 3 activity, which is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The guidance is not expected to materially impact the Plan's current fair value disclosures.

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Note 2. Summary of Accounting Policies (Continued)

Accounting pronouncements not yet effective: In May 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2011-04, *Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS*. ASU 2011-4 amended Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, to converge the fair value measurement guidance in GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). Some of the amendments clarify the application of existing fair value measurement requirements, while other amendments change a particular principle in ASC 820. In addition, ASU 2011-04 requires additional fair value disclosures. The amendments are to be applied prospectively and are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. Plan management is currently evaluating the effect that the provisions of ASU 2011-04 will have on the Plan's financial statements.

Note 3. Funding Policy

Contributions to provide benefits under the Plan are made solely by the Company. The Company's funding policy is to make cash contributions to the Plan in amounts as determined by the Plan's independent actuary. The Company met the minimum funding requirements of ERISA in 2010 and 2009.

Note 4. Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits

Accumulated plan benefits are those future periodic payments, including lump-sum distributions, that are attributable under the Plan's provisions to service rendered by employees as of the valuation date. Accumulated plan benefits include benefits expected to be paid to (1) retired or terminated employees or their beneficiaries, (2) beneficiaries of employees who have died, and (3) present employees or their beneficiaries.

Benefits under the Plan are based on employees' compensation during their last five years of service. The accumulated plan benefits for active employees are based on their average compensation during the five years ending on the date as of which the benefit information is presented (the valuation date). Benefits payable under all circumstances--retirement, death, disability, and termination of employment--are included to the extent they are deemed attributable to employee service rendered to the valuation date.

The actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits is determined by an independent actuary and is that amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to adjust the accumulated plan benefits to reflect the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as for death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment. The effect of Plan amendments on accumulated plan benefits is recognized during the year in which such amendments become effective.

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Note 4. Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits (Continued)

The actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits as of December 31, 2010 and 2009 is as follows:

	2010	2009
Vested benefits:		
Participants currently receiving payments	\$ 31,948,006	\$ 31,124,702
Active participants	106,642,693	101,179,202
Inactive participants with deferred benefits	12,877,510	10,303,585
Total vested benefits	151,468,209	142,607,489
Nonvested benefits	1,802,021	2,307,962
Total actuarial present value of accumulated benefits	<u>\$ 153,270,230</u>	<u>\$ 144,915,451</u>

The changes in actuarial present value of the Plan's accumulated plan benefits for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 are as follows:

	2010	2009
Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits, beginning of year	\$ 144,915,451	\$ 139,573,828
Increase (decrease) during year attributable to:		
Interest due to decrease in discount period	11,176,720	10,838,546
Benefits accumulated and (gains) losses	7,590,961	1,021,705
Benefit payments	(10,412,902)	(8,184,004)
Change in actuarial assumptions	-	1,665,376
Net increase	8,354,779	5,341,623
Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits, end of year	<u>\$ 153,270,230</u>	<u>\$ 144,915,451</u>

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Note 4. Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits (Continued)

The significant actuarial assumptions utilized in the December 31, 2010 and 2009 valuations of the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits were as follows:

Actuarial Cost Method:	Projected Unit Credit Method
Interest Rate:	8% compounded annually.
Mortality Rate:	Revenue Ruling 96-7 Mortality Table for males and females for determining RPA '94 and gateway current liability. 1985 Pension Disability Table with disability mortality rates for males and liability. RP 2000 table for males and females with a 50% blend of blue collar/white collar employees and a ten-year projection for funding.
Normal Retirement Age	Attainment of age 62.

The foregoing actuarial assumptions are based on the presumption that the Plan will continue. If the Plan were to terminate, different actuarial assumptions and other factors might be applicable in determining the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits.

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Note 5. Information Certified by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "Current Trustee") and Wachovia Bank, N.A. (the "Former Trustee")

The following is a summary of the plan's asset information as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and for the year ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedules, that was prepared by or derived from information provided by the current and former trustees and furnished to the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator has obtained certifications from the current and former trustees that information provided to the Plan Administrator by the trustees related to the following assets is complete and accurate. Accordingly, as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the Plan Administrator instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to the information which appears throughout the financial statements and supplemental schedules related to the following assets:

	December 31,	
	2010	2009
Investments:		
Cash equivalents	\$ 7,443,636	\$ 2,843,825
Government and agency bonds	33,472,847	-
Corporate bonds	21,456,782	702,691
Corporate stocks - common	37,682,682	38,780,057
Mutual funds - equity	25,255,850	-
Mutual funds - international equity	31,321,219	22,129,620
Common trust fund - equity	20,085,906	36,880,042
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	2,606,394
Other	1,030,556	-
Asset-backed securities	490,917	44,777
Mutual funds - fixed taxable bonds	71,456,847	75,659,706
Outside collective funds	982,215	142,511
Hedge fund - equity/other	12,581,595	9,540,860
	<u>\$ 263,261,052</u>	<u>\$ 189,330,483</u>
Net assets held in 401(h) account	<u>\$ 5,390,136</u>	<u>\$ 4,860,610</u>
Cash	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>\$ 322,991</u>

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. also certified for the year ended December 31, 2010 and Wachovia Bank, N.A., also certified for the year ended December 31, 2009, to the best of their knowledge, to the completeness and accuracy of \$16,375,765 and \$28,429,902 of net appreciation in fair value of investments and \$13,249,402 and \$7,217,964 of interest, dividends and other income related to the aforementioned investments for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

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Note 5. Information Certified by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "Current Trustee") and Wachovia Bank, N.A. (the "Former Trustee") (Continued)

During 2010 and 2009, the Plan's investments (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year) appreciated (depreciated) in value as follows:

	2010	2009
Government and agency bonds	\$ (2,197,961)	\$ -
Corporate bonds	353,947	974,414
Corporate stocks - common	5,713,196	10,910,518
Common trust funds	3,114,095	13,827,500
Mutual funds - fixed	2,848,239	(1,158,068)
Mutual funds - equity	2,758,517	-
Mutual funds - international equity	4,538,411	1,231,954
Collateralized mortgage obligations	142,340	2,270,114
Asset-backed securities	(191,776)	65,664
Mortgage backed pass-throughs	-	25,122
TBA mortgage issues	-	25,190
Outside collective funds	5,415	116,634
Hedge fund - equity/other	(708,658)	140,860
	<u>\$ 16,375,765</u>	<u>\$ 28,429,902</u>

Note 6. Investments

The current value of individual investments that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2010 or 2009 are as follows:

	2010	2009
Paps Long Duration Corporate Bond	\$ 59,059,098	*
Harbor Capital Appreciation Fund	13,350,854	*
PIMCO Long Duration Tot R-IS	*	\$ 66,875,904
Intech Risk-Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund, LLC	*	21,306,452
Fisher Investment Inst Group Foreign Equity Fund	20,085,906	15,573,590
Thornburg International Value Fund R5	18,994,332	13,017,009
JP Morgan Multi Strategy Fund II, Ltd	12,581,595	9,540,860

* Investment did not comprise 5% or more of the Plan's net assets available for benefits as of the date indicated.

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Note 7. Fair Value Measurements

The Plan's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the valuation of the fair value of investments and their consideration within the fair value hierarchy levels. The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2010 and 2009.

	December 31, 2010			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash and money market funds	\$ 7,443,636	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,443,636
Mutual funds:				
High yield bond	71,456,847	-	-	71,456,847
Equity	25,255,850	-	-	25,255,850
Global real estate	12,326,887	-	-	12,326,887
International	18,994,332	-	-	18,994,332
Fixed income:				
Government and agencies	-	33,472,847	-	33,472,847
Corporate bonds	-	21,456,782	-	21,456,782
Asset-backed securities	-	490,917	-	490,917
Equities:				
U.S. companies	37,682,682	-	-	37,682,682
Common trust funds:				
International	-	20,085,906	-	20,085,906
Other types of investments:				-
Hedging instruments	1,030,556	-	-	1,030,556
Multi-strategy hedge fund	-	12,581,595	-	12,581,595
Outside collective funds	-	-	982,215	982,215
	<u>\$ 174,190,790</u>	<u>\$ 88,088,047</u>	<u>\$ 982,215</u>	<u>\$ 263,261,052</u>
Net assets held in 401(h) accounts	\$ 5,390,136	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,390,136

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Note 7. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

	December 31, 2009			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money market funds	\$ 2,843,825	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,843,825
Mutual funds:				
High yield bond	8,783,802	-	-	8,783,802
Long duration bond	66,875,904	-	-	66,875,904
Global real estate	9,112,611	-	-	9,112,611
International	13,017,009	-	-	13,017,009
Fixed income:				
Corporate bonds nonconvertible	-	702,691	-	702,691
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	2,606,394	-	2,606,394
Asset-backed securities	-	44,777	-	44,777
Equities:				
U.S. companies	38,780,057	-	-	38,780,057
Common trust funds:				
U.S. large cap	-	21,306,452	-	21,306,452
International	-	15,573,590	-	15,573,590
Other types of investments:				
Multi-strategy hedge fund	-	9,540,860	-	9,540,860
Outside collective funds	142,511	-	-	142,511
	<u>\$ 139,555,719</u>	<u>\$ 49,774,764</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 189,330,483</u>
Net assets held in 401(h) accounts	<u>\$ 4,860,610</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,860,610</u>

The changes in the Plan's Level 3 assets measured at fair value are summarized as follows:

	Outside Collective Fund
Balance, beginning of year	\$ -
Net depreciation in fair value of investments	5,415
Purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements, net	976,800
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 982,215</u>

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Note 8. Net Asset Value ("NAV") Per Share

The following tables for December 31, 2010 and 2009, sets forth a summary of the Plan's investments classified as Level 2 or Level 3 with a reported net asset value.

Fair Value Estimated Using Net Asset Value per Share					
December 31, 2010					
Investment	Fair Value*	Unfunded Commitment	Redemption Frequency	Other Redemption Restrictions	Redemption Notice Period
International common trust fund (a)	\$ 20,085,906	\$ -	Daily	None	Daily
Multi-strategy hedge fund (b)	12,581,595	-	Daily	None	Daily
Outside collective funds					
US (c)	678,408	-	Limited	**	Limited
Global (d)	127,067	-	Limited	**	Limited
Direct (e)	176,740	-	Limited	**	Limited
Total	<u>\$ 33,649,716</u>	<u>\$ -</u>			

Fair Value Estimated Using Net Asset Value per Share					
December 31, 2009					
Investment	Fair Value*	Unfunded Commitment	Redemption Frequency	Other Redemption Restrictions	Redemption Notice Period
Common trust funds:					
U.S. large cap (f)	\$ 21,306,452	\$ -	Daily	None	Daily
International (a)	15,573,590	-	Daily	None	Daily
Multi-strategy hedge fund (b)	9,540,860	-	Daily	None	Daily
Total	<u>\$ 46,420,902</u>	<u>\$ -</u>			

* The fair value of the investment has been estimated using the net asset value of the investment.

** Investors will have only very limited withdrawal rights for specific legal or regulatory reasons, and any transfer of an interest will be subject to approval.

(a) The Fund seeks to outperform the MSCI EAFE Index on average by 2-7% per annum over a full market cycle by investing in securities of issuers domiciled outside the United States.

(b) The Fund seeks to generate capital appreciation over the long term through a portfolio having a diversified risk profile with relatively low volatility and a low correlation with traditional equity and fixed income markets.

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Note 8. Net Asset Value (“NAV”) Per Share (Continued)

- (c) The Fund seeks global and regional strategies. Over a three to four-year period, the US strategy typically invests in 60-75 total funds that invest a substantial portion of their assets in North American companies.
- (d) The Fund’s strategy allocates capital to private equity investments that invest a substantial portion of their assets in companies primarily located in Western Europe with a primary focus on buyout and growth equity.
- (e) The Fund’s strategy is to leverage relationships with venture, growth, and equity, and buyout general partners around the globe to generate differentiated deal flow.
- (f) The Fund seeks to outperform the Russell 1000 Growth Index when evaluated over rolling three and five year periods by investing primarily in certain common stocks of companies selected from the universe of the Index, using proprietary mathematical investment processes and optimization technology.

Note 9. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan, in certain circumstances, to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. In the event that the Plan is terminated, the net assets of the Plan will be allocated for payment of Plan benefits to the participants in an order of priority determined in accordance with ERISA, applicable regulations thereunder, and the Plan document.

Certain benefits under the Plan are insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (“PBGC”) if the Plan terminates. Generally, the PBGC guarantees most vested normal-age retirement benefits, early retirement benefits, and certain disability and survivor’s pensions. However, the PBGC does not guarantee all types of benefits under the Plan, and the amount of benefit protection is subject to certain limitations. Vested benefits under the Plan are guaranteed at the level in effect on the date of the Plan’s termination, subject to a statutory ceiling on the amount of an individual’s monthly benefit.

Whether all participants receive their benefits, should the Plan be terminated at some future time, will depend on the sufficiency, at that time, of the Plan’s net assets to provide those benefits, the priority of those benefits to be paid and the level and type of benefits guaranteed by the PBGC. Some benefits may be fully or partially provided for by the then existing assets and the PBGC guaranty, while other benefits may not be provided for at all.

Note 10. Federal Income Tax Status

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated December 10, 2009, that the Plan and related trust were designed in accordance with the applicable regulations of the Internal Revenue Code. The Company and the Plan Administrator believe that the Plan is currently designed and operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code and that the Plan and related trust continue to be tax-exempt. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan’s financial statements.

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Note 11. Exempt Party-in-Interest Transactions

Certain plan investments are shares of a money market fund and units of participation in common trust funds managed by Wells Fargo. Wells Fargo is the trustee as defined by the Plan, and therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. Fees paid by the Plan for trustee and investment management services were \$91,923 and \$44,764 for 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Note 12. Restatement of Certain Prior Year Balances

The Plan has determined that certain prior year contributions were incorrectly recognized as contributions in the year received instead of the year for which the contributions were made as determined by the Plan's actuary. The impact on the previously reported balances for 2009 was to increase employer contributions receivable and the opening balance of the net assets available for benefits by \$22 million. This error had no effect on the net increase as reported in the statement of changes in net assets available for plan benefits for the 2009 fiscal year or on the computation of the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits.

Note 13. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500 as of December 31, 2010 and 2009:

	December 31	
	2010	2009
Net assets available for benefits as presented in these financial statements, as restated for 2009	\$ 251,322,431	\$ 211,235,228
Contribution error correction	-	(22,000,000)
Net assets held in 401(h) account included as assets in Form 5500	5,390,136	4,860,610
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 256,712,567</u>	<u>\$ 194,095,838</u>

The net assets of the 401(h) account included in Form 5500 are not available to pay pension benefits but can only be used to pay retiree health benefits.

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Note 13. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500 (Continued)

The following is a reconciliation of the changes in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2010:

	Amounts Per Financial Statements	401(h) Account	Additional Contribution	Amounts per Form 5500
Appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 16,375,765	\$ 461,672	\$ -	\$ 16,837,437
Interest	5,110,405	221	-	5,110,626
Dividends and other	8,138,997	163,134	-	8,302,131
Employer contributions	22,000,000	531,000	22,000,000	44,531,000
Premium expense	-	(157,481)	-	(157,481)
Transfer to other plans	-	(469,020)	-	(469,020)

The following is a reconciliation of the changes in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2009:

	Amounts Per Financial Statements	401(h) Account	Additional Contribution	Amounts per Form 5500
Appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 28,429,902	\$ 882,337	\$ -	\$ 29,312,239
Interest	1,100,697	680	-	1,101,377
Dividends and other	6,117,267	67,362	-	6,184,629
Employer contributions	22,000,000	555,000	-	22,555,000
Premium expense	-	(81,760)	-	(81,760)
Transfer to other plans	-	(637,461)	-	(637,461)

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Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Cash		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Cash Equivalents:			
US Treasury Bills			
US Treasury Bill			
DTD 12/09/10 06/09/2011	300,000 units	299,727	299,727
Repurchase Agreements			
CS Repo DTD 12/31/10			
.23% due 1/3/11	2,100,000 units	2,100,000	2,100,000
Short Term Funds:			
Wells Fargo Advantage Cash Investment Fund			
Institutional Class - #451*	5,090,593 units	5,090,605	5,090,605
		<u>7,500,332</u>	<u>7,500,332</u>
Fixed Income:			
Government and Agencies			
US Treasury Bonds & NTS			
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 07/30/04 2.375 01/05/2025	200,000 units	270,744	259,314
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 04/15/99 8.975 04/15/2029	100,000 units	187,265	178,933
US Treasury Bond			
DTD 08/15/07 0.000 05/15/2037	4,200,000 units	1,222,230	1,231,986
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 01/31/07 2.375 01/15/2027	300,000 units	363,896	362,965
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 01/30/09 2.500 01/15/2029	350,000 units	420,670	406,382
		<u>2,464,805</u>	<u>2,439,580</u>

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Govt Strip & Zero CPN			
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	560,000 units	\$ 2,575,878	\$ 2,314,872
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	400,000 units	146,900	163,284
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	2,800,000 units	2,091,415	1,956,724
Tenn Val Auth CPN Strip Zero CPN DTD 01/15/98 07/15/2020	1,000,000 units	331,380	360,270
US Treasury Sec stripped Zero CPN DTD 08/17/09 08/15/2039	15,200,000 units	4,145,987	4,085,912
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 08/15/07 11/15/2034	3,500,000 units	1,209,649	1,155,980
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/15/08 12/15/2038	18,000,000 units	5,374,113	5,247,000
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 05/15/09 05/15/2039	4,000,000 units	1,106,760	1,087,640
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/15/08 8/15/2037	2,400,000 units	707,352	695,856
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/17/09 08/15/2038	3,800,000 units	1,156,606	1,047,736
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 11/16/09 11/15/2039	41,500,000 units	10,750,068	11,015,760
		<u>29,596,108</u>	<u>29,131,034</u>
Agency Bonds			
Fed Natl Mtg Assn DTD 11/03/00 6.625 11/15/2030	1,200,000 units	1,592,040	1,514,124
Tenn Valley Auth DTD 04/01/06 5.375 04/01/2056	100,000 units	104,467	107,504
Tenn Valley Auth DTD 09/25/10 4.625 09/15/2060	300,000 units	296,079	280,605
		<u>1,992,586</u>	<u>1,902,233</u>

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Bond Funds			
Mutual Bond Funds			
Harbor High-Yield Bond Institutional Bond Fund #2024	1,162,060 shares	\$ 12,203,655	\$ 12,666,453
Paps Long Duration Corporate Bond #1830	5,529,878 shares	58,027,470	59,059,098
Dodge & Cox Income Fund	118,918 shares	1,514,750	1,573,282
American Century Inflation Adjustment Bond	44,254 shares	486,438	520,871
		<u>72,232,313</u>	<u>73,819,704</u>
Corporate Bonds and Notes			
Strip and Zero CPN BD and Resolution FDG Corp Zero CPN DTD 10/15/90 10/15/2020	6,400,000 units	4,758,493	4,408,768
Private Placements			
AT&T Inc 144A Priv Plcmnt 5.350 09/01/2040	1,572,000 units	1,504,358	1,478,419
Cox Communications Inc 144A Priv Plcmnt 8.375 03/01/2039	250,000 units	312,303	323,977
CVS Pass Through Trust 144A Priv Plcmnt 7.507 10/01/2032	590,557 units	644,596	671,015
		<u>2,461,257</u>	<u>2,473,411</u>
Asset-Backed Securities			
Deutsche Alt -A Securities Nim 144A Priv Plcmnt 6.500 02/25/2047	15,816 units	316	-
NCUA Guaranteed Notes DTD 11/17/10 11/06/2017	491,069 units	491,070	490,917
		<u>491,386</u>	<u>490,917</u>

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Financials			
Bank of America NA			
DTD 05/02/08 5.650 05/01/2018	800,000 units	\$ 810,064	\$ 817,416
Capital One Bank USA NA			
DTD 06/25/09 8.800 07/15/2019	400,000 units	485,076	492,016
Citigroup Inc			
DTD 05/29/07 5.875 05/29/2037	900,000 units	860,445	880,461
Citigroup Inc			
DTD 07/23/09 8.125 07/15/2039	500,000 units	555,700	636,070
General Elec Cap Corp			
DTD 01/14/08 5.875 01/14/2038	1,500,000 units	1,419,275	1,557,075
Goldman Sachs Group Inc			
DTD 10/03/07 6.750 10/01/2037	900,000 units	885,933	920,160
HSBC Holdings PLC			
DTD 09/12/2007 6.500 09/15/2037	500,000 units	529,765	523,620
JP Morgan Chase & Co			
DTD 5/22/08 6.400 05/15/2038	800,000 units	877,880	907,352
Morgan St Dean Witter			
DTD 04/03/02 7.250 04/01/2032	200,000 units	217,288	228,978
Prudential Financial Inc			
DTD 11/18/10 6.200 11/15/2040	500,000 units	497,040	528,925
Wachovia Bank NA*			
DTD 12/07/07 6.600 01/15/2038	1,500,000 units	1,542,075	1,651,605
		<u>8,680,541</u>	<u>9,143,678</u>

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Industrials			
American Express			
DTD 03/19/08 8.150 03/19/2038	300,000 units	\$ 391,032	\$ 406,347
AT&T Corp			
DTD 05/15/02 8.000 11/15/2031	17,000 units	20,879	21,367
Burlington North Santa Fe			
DTD 05/17/10 5.570 05/01/2040	400,000 units	405,588	413,848
Comcast Corp			
DTD 03/14/03 7.050 03/15/2033	900,000 units	989,105	1,028,151
Pacific Gas & Electric			
DTD 11/18/09 5.400 01/15/2040	800,000 units	779,992	808,088
Pfizer Inc			
DTD 03/24/09 7.200 03/15/2039	300,000 units	372,372	388,212
Time Warner Inc.			
DTD 07/14/10 6.100 07/15/2040	500,000 units	499,655	524,645
Verizon Communications			
DTD 11/04/08 8.950 03/01/2039	900,000 units	1,237,086	1,282,581
Wal-Mart Stores Inc			
DTD 04/15/08 6.200 04/15/2038	400,000 units	444,436	455,368
		<u>5,140,145</u>	<u>5,328,607</u>
Other Global Corp Bonds			
Telefonica Emisiones SAU			
DTD 06/20/06 7.045 06/20/2036	100,000 units	107,840	102,318

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Other Assets			
Contracts and Swaps			
Call Options			
Call Wr. Opt on EDU1 Future Contract			
Strike 99.375 exp 09/19/2011	(28) shares	\$ (13,106)	\$ (16,450)
Put Options			
Put Wr. Opt on EDU1 Future Contract			
Strike 99.375 exp 09/19/2011	(28) shares	(17,918)	(11,550)
Future Contracts			
EDM2 EURO\$ (90-Day) future June 2012	25 units	-	-
Swaps			
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/16/2010 MATD 06/16/2011	-45,000,000 par	-	-
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/15/2011 MATD 06/15/2012	-20,000,000 par	-	-
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/16/2010 MATD 06/16/2011	45,000,000 par	997,650	547,502
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/15/2011 MATD 06/15/2012	20,000,000 par	301,000	463,570
Put Options			
Put Write Option on Inflation Index			
USD CPURNSA 216.687			
OPT EXP 04/07/20 PMT at Maturity	(1,800,000)	(16,200)	(17,938)
Undefined Sector			
CDX Index Swap IG15 5Y w/Boa SWPC201J3			
PMT Frequency Q Receive 1.00			
EFFDT 09/20/10 Due 09/20/2015	(3,700,000)	(15,343)	25,751
CDX Index Swap IG15 5Y w/Boa SWPC201J9			
PMT Frequency Q Receive 1.00			
EFFDT 09/20/10 Due 09/20/2015	(5,700,000)	(23,514)	39,671
		<u>1,212,569</u>	<u>1,030,556</u>

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Common Stocks:			
Amedisys Inc	6,100 shares	\$ 355,937	\$ 204,350
Acacia Research Corp - Acacia Tech	16,300 shares	255,249	422,822
Actuant Corp-CI A	16,000 shares	353,009	425,920
Aegon N.V. ADR	11,698 shares	125,964	71,709
Alterra Capital Holdings Ltd.	14,300 shares	279,660	309,452
American Equity Invst Life Hldg Co Com	23,900 shares	248,077	299,945
Amgen Inc	5,900 shares	291,260	323,910
Andersons Inc Com	9,000 shares	271,598	327,150
Aol Inc	1,996 shares	50,148	47,325
Atlas Air Worldwide Hldgs Inc Com New	6,900 shares	222,085	385,227
AXT Inc	7,800 shares	72,351	81,432
Baker Hughes Inc Com	4,300 shares	171,711	245,831
Bank New York Mellon Corp Com	9,500 shares	264,520	286,900
BB&T Corp Com	3,800 shares	73,376	99,902
Biomed Rlty Tr Inc	17,800 shares	232,604	331,970
BMC Software Inc	1,800 shares	33,258	84,852
Boise Inc	44,000 shares	278,455	348,920
Boston Scientific Corp Com	20,300 shares	201,161	153,671
Brandywine rly Tr Bd	19,600 shares	224,458	228,340
Bristow Group Inc	8,300 shares	276,417	393,005
Cadence Design Systems Inc	5,400 shares	47,914	44,604
Capital One Financial Corp	8,400 shares	348,746	357,504
Capstead Mortgage Corp	20,400 shares	267,117	256,836
Cardtronics Inc	15,000 shares	215,208	265,500
Carefusion Corp	2,500 shares	74,256	64,250
Carmax Inc	1,800 shares	27,335	57,384
Carter Holdings	13,700 shares	343,070	404,287
Cash America International Inc	10,100 shares	291,049	372,993
Cemex S.A.B DE C.C. ADR	3,592 shares	58,852	38,470
Chemed Corp New Com	6,300 shares	354,274	400,113
Chevron Corp	2,607 shares	143,943	237,889
Cinemark Holdings Inc	17,100 shares	233,304	294,804
City Hldg Co	7,200 shares	225,900	260,856
Cleco Corp New	12,400 shares	298,536	381,424
Coinstar Inc Com	6,300 shares	323,663	355,572
Columbia Banking System Inc	15,500 shares	326,066	326,430

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Comcast Corp Class A	19,849 shares	\$ 380,767	\$ 436,083
Computer Sciences Corp	2,500 shares	109,873	124,000
Compuware Corp Com	6,600 shares	50,114	77,022
Comtech Telecommunications Corp	9,000 shares	298,870	249,818
Corinthian Colleges Inc	13,000 shares	156,748	67,730
Covidien PLC	1,375 shares	52,088	62,783
Credit Suisse Group - ADR	1,100 shares	51,232	44,451
Curtiss Wright Corp Com	7,500 shares	231,910	249,000
Diageo PLC - ADR	700 shares	47,746	52,031
Dish Network Corp	2,400 shares	57,361	47,184
Dow Chemicals Co	7,500 shares	248,706	256,050
Dun & Bradstreet Corp Del New	400 shares	27,581	32,836
Ebay Inc	8,500 shares	218,936	236,555
Electronic Arts Inc	7,200 shares	130,758	117,936
Energys Com	13,800 shares	323,418	443,256
Ericsson LM Telephone Company - ADR	6,500 shares	62,663	74,945
Euronet Worldwide Inc	13,800 shares	262,643	240,672
Fedex corporation	3,400 shares	248,884	316,234
First Cash Financial Services, Inc	8,700 shares	157,970	269,613
Force Protection Inc	42,100 shares	224,096	231,971
FTI Consulting Inc Com	3,300 shares	114,148	123,024
General Electric Co	22,500 shares	505,829	411,525
Genworth Finl Inc	4,000 shares	59,869	52,560
Gilead sciences Inc	14,600 shares	31,156	32,616
GlaxoSmithKline PLC - ADR	7,000 shares	322,713	274,540
Global Cash Access Hldg Inc	11,880 shares	99,782	37,897
GMX resources Inc	17,600 shares	200,666	97,152
Goldman Sachs Group Inc	400 shares	58,519	67,264
Hawaiian Holdings Inc	39,600 shares	293,463	310,464
Health Mgmt Assoc Inc New CL A	40,100 shares	224,148	382,554
Healthspring Inc	14,600 shares	241,820	387,338
Hewlett Packard Co	12,421 shares	353,447	522,924
Holly Corp	9,300 shares	192,682	379,161
Home Depot Inc	5,500 shares	155,875	192,830
Horace Mann Educators Corp New	16,900 shares	199,205	304,876
Horsehead Holdings Inc	23,000 shares	257,319	299,920
HSBC - ADR	1,185 shares	79,912	60,482

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Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Iberiabank Corp	6,100 shares	\$ 273,889	\$ 360,693
Innphos Holdings Inc	4,750 shares	166,606	171,380
Interpublic Group Cos Inc	6,200 shares	63,835	65,844
Jos A Bank Clothiers Inc	5,650 shares	143,690	227,808
Kirklands Inc	14,100 shares	171,678	197,823
Lasalle Hotel Properties Com	14,700 shares	282,537	388,080
Legg Mason Inc Com	1,700 shares	142,033	61,659
Liberty Global Inc	400 shares	15,054	14,152
Liberty Global Inc Com Ser C	400 shares	14,218	13,556
Liberty Media-Interactive A	7,725 shares	77,995	121,823
Loews Corp	1,200 shares	24,418	46,692
LSB Inds Inc	13,140 shares	231,938	318,776
Maxin Integrated Prods Inc	6,700 shares	86,215	158,254
McGraw-Hill Companies Inc	1,700 shares	61,585	61,897
Medicis Pharmaceutical corp CL A New	9,400 shares	256,887	251,826
Medtronic Inc	2,000 shares	73,889	74,180
Merck & Co Inc New	11,000 shares	290,743	396,440
Mgic Invst corp WI	32,600 shares	306,101	332,194
Molex Inc CL A	3,100 shares	74,899	58,497
Motorola Inc	34,000 shares	473,817	308,380
Multi-Fineline electronix Inc Com	7,00 shares	186,383	190,728
Net 1 UEPS Technologies Inc	17,100 shares	231,081	209,646
Newpark Res Inc Com	43,200 shares	317,515	266,112
News Corp CL A	21,200 shares	288,882	308,672
Nokia Corporation - ADR	6,400 shares	69,569	66,048
Novartis AG- ADR	5,000 shares	271,780	294,750
Occidental Pete Corp	3,200 shares	116,382	313,920
Ocwen Finl Corp New	33,500 shares	350,037	319,590
Officemax Inc Delcom	10,800 shares	196,454	191,160
Old Dominion Freight Lines Inc	13,150 shares	313,192	420,669
Omega Healthcare Invs Inc Com	14,700 shares	250,551	329,868
Orbitals sciences Corp	17,700 shares	292,888	303,201
Panasonic Corporation	7,000 shares	107,789	98,700
Pantry Inc	15,900 shares	331,459	315,774
Pfizer Inc	18,600 shares	354,206	325,686
Pitney Bowes Inc	3,000 shares	111,418	72,540
Plantronics Inc Com	9,100 shares	299,723	338,702

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Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Polypore International Inc	5,200 shares	\$ 169,127	\$ 211,796
Power-One Inc	24,900 shares	255,594	253,980
PS Business Parks Inc/Ca	5,200 shares	248,283	289,744
Questcor Pharmaceuticals Inc	26,000 shares	162,815	382,980
Quiksilver Inc Com	52,000 shares	233,592	263,640
Rent-a-Center Inc	8,900 shares	269,007	287,292
RF Micro Devices Inc Com	46,700 shares	242,336	343,245
Royal Dutch Shell Plc	700 shares	32,919	46,746
Royal Gold Inc	3,700 shares	155,844	202,131
Sanofi - Aventis - ADR	6,800 shares	266,972	219,164
Schulman A Inc	14,300 shares	295,592	327,327
Schulmberger LTD	4,700 shares	236,209	392,450
Schwab Charles Corp New	9,000 shares	147,033	153,990
Schweitzer - Maudit Intl Inc Com	4,735 shares	221,326	297,926
Shuffle Master Inc Com	28,600 shares	265,197	327,470
Shutterfly Inc	10,600 shares	201,491	369,834
Silicon Image Inc	5,700 shares	41,195	41,895
SLM Corp	6,400 shares	153,472	80,576
Solutia Inc/New	14,300 shares	175,061	330,044
Sony Corporation - ADR	4,200 shares	144,826	149,982
Southwest Gas Corp	8,300 shares	222,070	304,361
Sprint Nextel Corp	37,500 shares	369,840	158,625
Standard Microsystems Corp	11,800 shares	251,566	340,194
Sterling Bancshares Inc Com	50,800 shares	316,037	356,616
Suntrust Banks Inc	1,900 shares	40,838	56,069
SVB Finl Group	7,800 shares	284,581	413,790
SXC Healthcare Solutions Corp	8,500 shares	145,812	364,310
Symantec Corp	11,000 shares	165,404	184,140
Synopsys Inc Com	3,500 shares	78,875	94,185
Telecommunications Sys Inc CL A	32,200 shares	226,201	150,374
Tennant Co	8,800 shares	303,898	338,008
Time Warner Cable Inc	3,050 shares	115,606	201,392
Time Warner Inc	9,766 shares	304,042	314,172
Tower Group Inc	13,600 shares	332,868	348,160
Travelers Companies, Inc	1,700 shares	76,756	94,707
True Religion Apparel Inc	12,500 shares	273,342	278,250
Tyco Electronics LTD F	3,575 shares	112,398	126,555
Tyco Electronics LTD F	2,275 shares	94,344	94,276
Unisource Energy Corp Com	10,200 shares	338,497	365,568

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Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (Continued)
December 31, 2010

Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
US Bancorp Del New	2,700 shares	\$ 59,047	\$ 72,819
Usec Inc	22,500 shares	132,124	135,450
Valassis Communications Inc Com	10,100 shares	342,012	326,735
Valueclick Inc	24,600 shares	294,978	394,338
Venoco Inc	17,300 shares	223,391	319,185
Vodafone Group PLC New	7,300 shares	141,980	193,012
Vulcan Mats Co	1,800 shares	87,674	79,848
Walgreen Co	3,900 shares	128,604	151,944
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	2,400 shares	115,745	129,432
Wells Fargo & Co*	14,133 shares	704,451	437,981
Wintrust Finl Corp	12,000 shares	434,275	396,360
World Accept Corp Del	6,500 shares	262,512	343,200
Xerox Inc	17,900 shares	158,466	206,208
ZHongpin Inc	9,100 shares	184,781	185,640
		<u>33,155,690</u>	<u>37,682,682</u>
Equity Funds:			
Collective Equity Funds			
Fisher Investments Foreign Equity Fund	19,542,491 units	19,542,492	20,085,906
JP Morgan Mult- Strategy fund II LTD	9,400 shares	11,800,000	12,581,595
		<u>31,342,492</u>	<u>32,667,501</u>
Mutual Funds			
Harbor Capital Appreciation Fund Class	363,585 units	12,661,624	13,650,032
Prudential Global Real Estate Fund Class Z	646,063 units	10,532,119	12,612,142
Thornburg International Value Fund	16243 units	16,340,264	19,458,889
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	103,513 units	10,937,671	12,438,463
American Funds Europacific Growth	11,106 shares	464,088	459,446
Dodge & Cox Stock Fund #145	2,763 shares	295,112	297,751
T Rowe Price New Horizons Fund	9,694 shares	253,641	324,641
Wells Fargo Advance Special Small Cap Value Fund*	14,502 shares	263,565	316,288
		<u>51,748,084</u>	<u>59,557,652</u>
Options and Futures:			
Other Limited Partnerships:			
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010 US Fund LP	636,000 shares	636,000	678,408
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010 Direct Fund LP	196,800 shares	196,800	176,740
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010			
Non-US Developed Market Fund LP	144,000 shares	144,000	127,067
		<u>976,800</u>	<u>982,215</u>
		<u>\$ 253,861,441</u>	<u>\$ 268,661,188</u>

The above information has been certified by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the trustee, as "complete and accurate".

*Represents a party-in-interest.

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
Series of Transactions in the Same Security						
US Treasury	US Treasury 4.5% 8/17/09 to 8/15/39					
	1 Purchase	\$ 16,564,313	\$ -	\$ 16,564,313	\$ 16,564,313	\$ -
	2 Sales	-	16,655,438	16,564,313	16,655,438	91,125
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 2/15/08 to 2/15/38					
	2 Purchases	17,975,065	-	17,975,065	17,975,065	-
	1 Sale	-	14,947,018	14,239,317	14,947,018	707,701
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/16/09 to 11/15/39					
	3 Purchases	57,869,870	-	57,869,870	57,869,870	-
	4 Sales	-	53,145,257	54,819,351	53,145,257	(1,674,094)

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Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
Series of Transactions in the Same Security (Continued)						
Wells Fargo	Wells Fargo Advantage Cash Investment Fund					
	Purchase	\$ 306,881,569	\$ -	\$ 306,881,569	\$ 306,881,569	\$ -
	Sale	-	301,790,977	301,790,977	301,790,977	-
Evergreen	Evergreen Prime Cash Fund					
	Purchase	174,839,392	-	174,839,392	174,839,392	-
	Sale	-	174,612,092	174,612,092	174,612,092	-
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD					
	2 Purchases	56,500,000	-	56,500,000	56,500,000	-
	3 Sales	-	3,899,999	3,938,075	3,899,999	(38,076)
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Tot R-IS					
	2 Purchases	226,288	-	226,288	226,288	-
	2 Sales	-	68,613,094	67,102,191	68,613,094	1,510,903
Vanguard	Vanguard Institutional Index					
	2 Purchases	10,347,195	-	10,347,195	10,347,195	-
	1 sale	-	550,400	501,736	550,400	48,664
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund					
	0 Purchases	-	-	-	-	-
	5 Sales	-	22,078,195	21,306,452	22,078,195	771,743

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Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
<i>Single Transactions</i>						
Barclays	Barclays Repo DTD .22 Due 11/15/10	\$ 9,900,000	\$ -	\$ 9,900,000	\$ 9,900,000	\$ -
Barclays	Barcalys Repo DTD .22 Due 11/15/10	-	9,900,000	9,900,000	9,900,000	-
Harbor	Harbor Capital Appreciation Fund	12,632,961	-	12,632,961	12,632,961	-
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped Zero Coupon 8/15/2039	11,477,248	-	11,477,248	11,477,248	-
US Treasury	US Treasury 4.5% from 8/17/09 to 8/15/2039	-	16,159,500	16,068,375	16,159,500	91,125
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/15/2039	44,465,030	-	44,065,030	44,065,030	-
US Treasury	US Treasury BD Stripped 11/15/2039	9,788,000	-	9,788,000	9,788,000	-
US Treasury	US Treasury 08/15/2039	16,564,313	-	16,564,313	16,564,313	-
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 2/15/08 to 2/15/38	-	14,947,018	14,239,317	14,947,018	707,701
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/16/09 to 11/15/2039	-	48,297,732	49,974,664	48,297,732	(1,676,932)

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Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
<i>Single Transactions (Continued)</i>						
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD	\$ 37,000,000	\$ -	\$ 37,000,000	\$ 37,000,000	\$ -
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD	19,500,000	-	19,500,000	19,500,000	-
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Tot R-IS	-	68,387,237	66,875,917	68,387,237	1,511,320
Vanguard	Vanguard Institutional Index	10,300,000	-	10,300,000	10,300,000	-
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund	-	9,700,000	9,505,225	9,700,000	194,775
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund	-	12,354,795	11,777,725	12,354,795	577,070

**SCHEDULE SB
(Form 5500)**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceDepartment of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

**Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan
Actuarial Information**

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6059 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500 or 5500-SF.**

OMB No. 1210-0110

2010**This Form is Open to Public
Inspection**For calendar plan year 2010 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2010 and ending 12/31/2010▶ **Round off amounts to nearest dollar.**▶ **Caution:** A penalty of \$1,000 will be assessed for late filing of this report unless reasonable cause is established.**A** Name of plan

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

B Three-digit
plan number (PN) ▶

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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 or 5500-SF

Piedmont Natural Gas Company

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)

56-0556998

E Type of plan: ☒ Single ☐ Multiple-A ☐ Multiple-B**F** Prior year plan size: ☐ 100 or fewer ☐ 101-500 ☒ More than 500**Part I Basic Information****1** Enter the valuation date: Month 1 Day 1 Year 2010**2** Assets:

	2a	2b
a Market value.....	211,308,263	
b Actuarial value.....		222,270,446

3 Funding target/participant count breakdown

(1) Number of participants

(2) Funding Target

	3a	3b	3c(1)	3c(2)	3c(3)	3d
a For retired participants and beneficiaries receiving payment.....	362	34,854,813				
b For terminated vested participants.....	310	12,399,192				
c For active participants:						
(1) Non-vested benefits.....		7,003,549				
(2) Vested benefits.....		109,278,451				
(3) Total active.....	1,698	116,282,000				
d Total.....	2,370	163,536,005				

4 If the plan is at-risk, check the box and complete items (a) and (b) ☐

	4a	4b
a Funding target disregarding prescribed at-risk assumptions.....		
b Funding target reflecting at-risk assumptions, but disregarding transition rule for plans that have been at-risk for fewer than five consecutive years and disregarding loading factor.....		

5 Effective interest rate..... **5** 6.62 %**6** Target normal cost..... **6** 5,315,670**Statement by Enrolled Actuary**

To the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this schedule and accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, if any, is complete and accurate. Each prescribed assumption was applied in accordance with applicable law and regulations. In my opinion, each other assumption is reasonable (taking into account the experience of the plan and reasonable expectations) and such other assumptions, in combination, offer my best estimate of anticipated experience under the plan.

**SIGN
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Signature of actuary

GARO AGHJAYAN

Type or print name of actuary

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CHARLOTTE

NC 28202-4023

Address of the firm

10-07-2011

Date

11-06816

Most recent enrollment number

(704) 805-7500

Telephone number (including area code)

If the actuary has not fully reflected any regulation or ruling promulgated under the statute in completing this schedule, check the box and see instructions ☐

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice and OMB Control Numbers, see the instructions for Form 5500 or 5500-SF.

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Part II Beginning of year carryover and prefunding balances

	(a) Carryover balance	(b) Prefunding balance
7 Balance at beginning of prior year after applicable adjustments (Item 13 from prior year)	12,343,682	0
8 Portion used to offset prior year's funding requirement (Item 35 from prior year)	0	0
9 Amount remaining (Item 7 minus item 8)	12,343,682	0
10 Interest on item 9 using prior year's actual return of <u>23.76%</u>	2,932,859	0
11 Prior year's excess contributions to be added to prefunding balance:		
a Excess contributions (Item 38 from prior year)		15,701,931
b Interest on (a) using prior year's effective rate of <u>6.53%</u>		1,025,336
c Total available at beginning of current plan year to add to prefunding balance		16,727,267
d Portion of (c) to be added to prefunding balance		0
12 Reduction in balances due to elections or deemed elections		0
13 Balance at beginning of current year (item 9 + item 10 + item 11d - item 12)	15,276,541	0

Part III Funding percentages

14 Funding target attainment percentage	14	126.57 %
15 Adjusted funding target attainment percentage	15	135.91 %
16 Prior year's funding percentage for purposes of determining whether carryover/prefunding balances may be used to reduce current year's funding requirement	16	107.86 %
17 If the current value of the assets of the plan is less than 70 percent of the funding target, enter such percentage	17	%

Part IV Contributions and liquidity shortfalls**18** Contributions made to the plan for the plan year by employer(s) and employees:

(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees	(a) Date (MM-DD-YYYY)	(b) Amount paid by employer(s)	(c) Amount paid by employees
11/10/2010	22,000,000				
Totals ►			18(b)	22,000,000	18(c) 0

19 Discounted employer contributions - see instructions for small plan with a valuation date after the beginning of the year:

a Contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contribution from prior years	19a	0
b Contributions made to avoid restrictions adjusted to valuation date	19b	0
c Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date	19c	20,823,324

20 Quarterly contributions and liquidity shortfalls:

- a** Did the plan have a "funding shortfall" for the prior year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b** If 20a is "Yes," were required quarterly installments for the current year made in a timely manner? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- c** If 20a is "Yes," see instructions and complete the following table as applicable:

Liquidity shortfall as of end of Quarter of this plan year

(1) 1st	(2) 2nd	(3) 3rd	(4) 4th

Part V Assumptions used to determine funding target and target normal cost

21 Discount rate:				
a Segment rates:	1st segment: 4.60 %	2nd segment: 6.65 %	3rd segment: 6.76 %	☐ N/A, full yield curve used
b Applicable month (enter code)				21b 0
22 Weighted average retirement age				22 61
23 Mortality table(s) (see instructions) ☐ Prescribed - combined ☒ Prescribed - separate ☐ Substitute				

Part VI Miscellaneous items

24 Has a change been made in the non-prescribed actuarial assumptions for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.	☐ Yes ☒ No
25 Has a method change been made for the current plan year? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.	☒ Yes ☐ No
26 Is the plan required to provide a Schedule of Active Participants? If "Yes," see instructions regarding required attachment.	☒ Yes ☐ No
27 If the plan is eligible for (and is using) alternative funding rules, enter applicable code and see instructions regarding attachment.	27

Part VII Reconciliation of unpaid minimum required contributions for prior years

28 Unpaid minimum required contribution for all prior years	28	0
29 Discounted employer contributions allocated toward unpaid minimum required contributions from prior years (item 19a)	29	0
30 Remaining amount of unpaid minimum required contributions (item 28 minus item 29)	30	0

Part VIII Minimum required contribution for current year

31 Target normal cost, adjusted, if applicable (see instructions)	31	
32 Amortization installments:	Outstanding Balance	Installment
a Net shortfall amortization installment	0	0
b Waiver amortization installment	0	0
33 If a waiver has been approved for this plan year, enter the date of the ruling letter granting the approval (Month _____ Day _____ Year _____) and the waived amount	33	
34 Total funding requirement before reflecting carryover/prefunding balances (item 31 + item 32a + item 32b - item 33)	34	0
	Carryover balance	Prefunding balance
35 Balances used to offset funding requirement		0
36 Additional cash requirement (item 34 minus item 35)	36	0
37 Contributions allocated toward minimum required contribution for current year adjusted to valuation date (Item 19c)	37	20,823,324
38 Interest-adjusted excess contributions for current year (see instructions)	38	20,823,324
39 Unpaid minimum required contribution for current year (excess, if any, of item 36 over item 37)	39	0
40 Unpaid minimum required contribution for all years	40	0

Schedule SB, Line 22 — Description of Weighted Average Retirement Age

Each employee is assumed to retire in accordance with the table of retirement rates. The proportion of employees expected to retire at each potential retirement age is shown below. The average retirement age is 61.

(A) Retirement Age	(B) Retirement Percent	(C) Lx	(D) Number of Employees expected to retire (B) X (C)	(E) (A) X (D)
55	5.00%	10,000.00	500.00	27,500.00
56	5.00%	9,500.00	475.00	26,600.00
57	5.00%	9,025.00	451.25	25,721.25
58	5.00%	8,573.75	428.69	24,864.02
59	5.00%	8,145.06	407.25	24,027.75
60	10.00%	7,737.81	773.78	46,426.80
61	10.00%	6,964.03	696.40	42,480.40
62	75.00%	6,267.63	4,700.72	291,444.64
63	75.00%	1,566.91	1,175.18	74,036.34
64	75.00%	391.73	293.79	18,802.56
65	100.00%	97.94	97.94	6,366.10
Total			10,000.00	608,269.86
Average				60.83

Schedule SB, Line 25 — Change in Method

As required by the final Section 430 regulations, we changed the allocation of disability benefit costs to funding target and target normal cost from the ratio of the participant's service to their service at first eligibility to the ratio of the participant's service to their service at each decrement age.

Schedule SB, Line 26 — Schedule of Active Participant Data

Years of credited service										
Attained age	Under 1	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40 & Up
< 25		10								
25 - 29		20 53,721	19							
30 - 34		38 50,024	80 58,223	8						
35 - 39		28 54,166	123 62,185	55 59,101	27 67,845					
40 - 44		27 60,282	87 66,891	49 60,528	60 69,754	23 69,025	3			
45 - 49		22 80,074	120 68,182	23 65,355	66 68,155	51 68,580	37 71,177	1		
50 - 54		26 82,712	107 60,555	24 84,825	30 75,103	50 85,386	86 74,062	13	2	
55 - 59		14	76 61,979	12	25 68,823	21 87,489	59 68,055	31 68,390	3	1
60 - 64		2	35 65,233	5	10	8	15	9	27 72,133	2
65 - 69		1	7	5	2	3	3		2	2
70+		1					1			1

In each cell, the top number is the count of active participants for each age/service combination and the bottom number is average pay for 2009 limited to \$245,000. Average pay is not shown for cells with fewer than 20 participants.

Schedule SB, Part V — Summary of Plan Provisions

Benefits included or excluded

Unless noted below, all benefits provided by the plan, as restated January 1, 2008, are included in this valuation.

- **Plan amendments excluded:** None
- **IRC Section 436 benefit restrictions:**
 - *Unpredictable contingent event benefits:* This valuation excludes restricted contingent event benefits that occurred before the valuation date but includes contingent event benefits which are expected to occur on or after the valuation date regardless of anticipated funding-based limitations.
 - *Plan amendments:* See above.
 - *Prohibited payments:* Limitations on prohibited benefits (if any) are reflected for annuity starting dates before the valuation date but are ignored for annuity starting dates on or after the valuation date.
 - *Benefit accruals:* The plan's funding target does not reflect any limitation on benefit accruals. The target normal cost does not reflect any limitation on benefit accruals.
- **Late retirement increases:**
 - *Active participants:* The plan provides benefit suspension notices to participants who work beyond normal retirement; therefore, late retirement actuarial increases only apply to participants who defer retirement beyond normal retirement. This valuation includes increases for current participants over age 65.
 - *Deferred vested participants:* Current deferred vested participants over normal retirement age are valued including the late retirement actuarial increase.
- **Unpredictable contingent event benefits:** The plan does not have any unpredictable contingent event benefits.
- **IRC Section 415(b) benefit limitations:** The limitations of Internal Revenue Code Section 415(b) have been incorporated into our calculations.
- **IRC Section 416 rules for top-heavy plans:** We did not test whether this plan is top-heavy (when the present value of benefits for key employees equals or exceeds 60 percent of the present value for all participants). However, we expect that the plan is not top-heavy due to the large number of rank-and-file participants; therefore, the funding target and target normal cost do not reflect any liability for top-heavy benefit accruals.

Schedule SB, Part V — Summary of Plan Provisions**Summary of major plan provisions*****Piedmont***

Effective date and plan year	Original plan: January 1, 1968 Restated plan: January 1, 2008 Plan year: Calendar year
Status of the plan	The plan has ongoing benefit accruals for current participants but is closed to new entrants as of January 1, 2009.
Significant events that occurred during the year	None
Definitions	
▪ Covered employees	Individuals employed by Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. or any adopting member of a related group.
▪ Participation	Each employee hired prior to January 1, 2008 (January 1, 2009, if part of Nashville union) shall become a participant on the January 1 or July 1 coinciding with or next following the date on which he either: (a) attains age 21 and completes 1,000 hours of service during the 12-month period commencing on his employment date (or completes 1,000 hours of service during a calendar year following his employment date), or (b) attains age 30. All participants in the Nashville Gas Company Pension Plan became participants on January 1, 1987. Former NCNG participants of the Progress Energy Pension Plan became participants on October 1, 2003.
▪ Employee contributions	None
▪ Vesting service	Plan years during which the employee completes 1,000 or more hours of service, including service with Nashville Gas Company prior to January 1, 1987, and service with Progress Energy prior to October 1, 2003, but excluding years prior to attaining age 22 (age 18 beginning 1985) and years prior to the effective date of the plan.

Schedule SB, Part V — Summary of Plan Provisions

▪ Credited service	<p>Plan years after the employee satisfies eligibility requirements for each full month and any partial calendar month ending on his employment termination date during which he was a participant.</p> <p>Nashville Gas Company Pension participants shall be credited with all benefit accrual service under that plan prior to January 1, 1987.</p> <p>Progress Energy Pension Plan participants shall begin accruing benefit accrual service at October 1, 2003.</p>
▪ Pensionable earnings	<p>Annual W-2 compensation, plus any amounts contributed to a 401(k) plan, plus any Section 125 premiums. For plan years beginning after December 31, 2001, the compensation limit of Code Section 401(a)(17) is increased to \$200,000 and is applied retroactively to the extent permitted by the Code. The compensation limit is indexed annually.</p>
▪ Final average earnings	<p>Average of compensation for the sixty (60) consecutive months of highest earnings during the last ten years of employment immediately preceding the determination date.</p>
▪ Covered compensation	<p>The 35-year average of F.I.C.A. Wage Bases ending in the year before an employee attains his social security retirement age.</p>
▪ Accrued benefit	<p>Amount payable to a participant as a single life annuity beginning at age 65.</p>
Normal retirement	
▪ Eligibility	<p>Attainment of age 65</p>
▪ Benefit	<p>A lifetime benefit commencing at normal retirement equal to the greater of (a) plus (b) or (c):</p> <p>(a) the accrued benefit under the plan in effect December 31, 2007 (December 31, 2008 for Nashville union).</p> <p>(b) (1.2% of final average earnings plus 0.5% of final average earnings in excess of covered compensation) times credited service earned after 2007 (2008 for Nashville union) up to 35. (Note the 35 year cap is reduced by the number of years used in the calculation of (a)).</p> <p>(c) (1.2% of final average earnings plus 0.5% of final average earnings in excess of covered compensation) times credited service up to 35 years.</p>

Schedule SB, Part V — Summary of Plan Provisions

Early retirement	
▪ Eligibility	<p>A participant may retire prior to normal retirement, provided he has attained age 55 and has completed 10 years of service.</p> <p>(A Nashville participant may retire after age 50 with 15 years of service and receive only the early retirement benefit accrued as of December 31, 1986, under the Nashville Plan, with the Piedmont Plan portion of the early retirement benefit payable after age 55.)</p>
▪ Benefit	<p>For benefits earned prior to 2008 (2009 for Nashville union) a lifetime benefit commencing at early retirement equal to the actuarial equivalent of the accrued benefit, with the actuarial factors being 0.35% per month by which benefit commencement date precedes normal retirement date. The early retirement reduction factor for the excess portion of the benefit equals 5/9 of 1% for the first 60 months which retirement precedes age 65 and 5/18 of 1% for the next 60 months which retirement precedes age 60.</p> <p>For benefits earned after 2007 (2008 for Nashville union), a lifetime benefit commencing at early retirement reduced by 0.35% for each month that benefit commencement precedes age 65.</p>
Late retirement	
▪ Eligibility	A participant remains in employment past his Normal Retirement Date.
▪ Benefit	A lifetime benefit calculated in the same manner as the normal retirement benefit using final average earnings and credited service at late retirement.
Deferred vested	
▪ Eligibility	The participant terminates employment for reasons other than death or retirement after completing at least 5 years of service.
▪ Benefit	He shall be entitled to receive a monthly benefit commencing at normal retirement and continuing for the remainder of his lifetime. The amount of benefit shall be 100% of the accrued benefit provided the participant has completed 5 years of service. The participant who has completed 5 years of service may elect to receive a reduced benefit commencing on the first day of any month following his termination of employment.

Schedule SB, Part V — Summary of Plan Provisions

Disability	
▪ Eligibility	A participant who has 5 years of service when his leave of absence that results in a long-term disability begins.
▪ Benefit	The participant will continue to accrue pension benefits based on their base rate of pay.
Pre-retirement death	
▪ Eligibility	Death of a participant who has completed 5 years of service.
▪ Benefit prior to normal retirement	The death benefit will be equal to what the beneficiary would have received had he elected a 50% J&S annuity prior to death. The death benefit can be paid as a lump sum.
▪ Benefit after normal retirement	Beneficiary shall be entitled to any remaining benefit due under an elected alternate form of payment.
Form of benefits	
▪ Automatic form for unmarried participants	The normal form of payment is a life annuity.
▪ Automatic form for married participants	Benefits to married participants will be paid in the form of an actuarially reduced 50% joint & survivor annuity unless the participant and spouse properly elect to receive another form of payment.
▪ Optional forms	Optional forms of payment include 75% and 100% joint and survivor options; 5, 10 and 15-year certain and life options; and a lump-sum option.
▪ Optional form conversion factors	<u>Optional form conversion except lump sums</u> Mortality: 1984 Unisex Pension Mortality Interest: 6% per annum <u>Lump sums</u> - the greater of above or Mortality: 417(e) mortality table Interest: PPA lump sum segment rates for the month of November prior to the plan year

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Miscellaneous	
▪ Cost-of-living benefit increases after retirement	Retirement benefits are increased or decreased on January 1 each year by an amount equal to the original retirement benefit multiplied by the ratio of the cost-of-living index figure on the preceding November 30 to the cost-of-living index figure at retirement. Changes from one year to the next of less than 1% are ignored and the adjusted benefit will not decrease below the original benefit nor increase above the original benefit increased by compound interest of 3% per year. These cost-of-living increases do not apply to terminated/vested employees or to benefits accrued by non-union employees after December 31, 1992, NC/SC union employees after June 30, 1998, and Nashville union employees after July 31, 1999.
▪ Maximum compensation	Compensation for any 12-month period used to determine accrued benefits may not exceed the limits in IRC Section 401(a)(17) for the calendar year in which the 12-month period begins. This limit is indexed annually. For 2010, the limit is \$245,000.
▪ Maximum benefits	Annual benefits may not exceed the limits in IRC Section 415. This limit is indexed annually. For 2010, the limit is \$195,000.

Schedule SB, Part V — Summary of Plan Provisions**NCNG**

Effective date	The effective date is February 13, 2004.
Definitions	
▪ Covered employees	All participating employees who, as of September 30, 2003, had an accrued benefit under The Progress Energy Pension Plan became participants on February 13, 2004. No other individuals are or may become eligible to participate in the Plan on or after February 13, 2004.
▪ Participation	<p>Participation is limited to persons who, as of September 30, 2003, had an accrued benefit under The Progress Energy Pension Plan which includes:</p> <p>(a) “continuing employees” as defined in the Stock Purchase Agreement;</p> <p>(b) certain former employees of The Progress Energy Pension Plan who, as of September 30, 2003, were deferred vested participants; and</p> <p>(c) certain retired employees as defined in the Stock Purchase Agreement.</p>
▪ Employee contributions	None
▪ Vesting service	<p>(a) Years of vesting service under The Progress Energy Pension Plan as of September 30, 2003; plus</p> <p>(b) one year of service if credited with at least one hour of service during the period beginning October 1, 2003 and ending December 31, 2003; plus</p> <p>(c) one year of service for each calendar year on or after January 1, 2004 during which the participant is credited with at least 1,000 hours.</p>
▪ Credited service	<p>Plan years after the employee satisfies eligibility requirements for each full month and any partial calendar month ending on his employment termination date during which he was a participant.</p> <p>Progress Energy Pension Plan participants shall begin accruing benefit accrual service at October 1, 2003.</p>

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▪ Pensionable earnings	Annual W-2 compensation, plus any amounts contributed to a 401(k) plan, plus any Section 125 premiums. For plan years beginning after December 31, 2001, the compensation limit of Code Section 401(a)(17) is increased to \$200,000 and is applied retroactively to the extent permitted by the Code. The compensation limit is indexed annually. <u>For LTD employees with Progress Energy:</u> For purposes of calculating pay credits and transition credits, members on approved disability shall be imputed with compensation at the annual rate they were earning immediately prior to their cessation of active service.
▪ Benefit	A participant's cash balance account as of September 30, 2003 under The Progress Energy Pension Plan as adjusted for interest credits. Interest credits shall be credited to the cash balance account on December 31, or retirement date if earlier, at an annual rate of 6% for 2004 and 4% thereafter.
▪ Accrued benefit	The sum of (a) Frozen NCNG accrued benefit (b) Frozen Progress Energy accrued benefit (c) The benefit earned under this plan for final average compensation and benefit service for the period of active participation through December 31, 2007.
Normal retirement	
▪ Eligibility	Attainment of age 65
▪ Benefit	All retirement benefits are 100% vested at all times. A lifetime benefit commencing at normal retirement equal to the sum of (a) and (b) below: (a) participant's frozen NCNG accrued benefit as of December 31, 1999, if any, and; (b) the participant's frozen Progress Energy accrued benefit equal to the greater of (i) and (ii) below: (i) the participant's frozen cash balance account pension benefit as of September 30, 2003; and (ii) the participant's frozen progress final average pay benefit determined as of September 30, 2003.

Schedule SB, Part V — Summary of Plan Provisions**Early retirement**

- **Eligibility** A participant may retire prior to normal retirement, provided he has attained age 55 and has been credited with 10 or more years of service.
- **Benefit** A lifetime benefit commencing at early retirement equal to (1) plus the greater of (2) or (3), where:
 - (1) is the participant's frozen NCNG accrued benefit, reduced by 1/15 for the first 5 years which retirement precedes age 65 and by 1/30 for the next 5 years which retirement precedes age 60.
 - (2) is the participant's frozen Progress Energy final average pay benefit, multiplied by a percentage in accordance with the following table of factors:

Age at commencement of retirement benefit	At least 10 years but less than 20 Years of Service	20 or more Years of Service
55	75.5	75.0
56	77.5	77.5
57	80.0	80.0
58	82.5	82.5
59	85.0	85.0
60	87.5	87.5
61	90.0	90.0
62	92.5	100.0
63	95.0	100.0
64	97.5	100.0
 - (3) is the participant's cash balance account pension benefit, multiplied by an adjustment factor in accordance with the plan.

Late retirement

- **Eligibility** A participant is employed past his Normal Retirement Date.
- **Benefit** A lifetime benefit calculated in the same manner as the normal retirement benefit as of the participant's late retirement date.

Schedule SB, Part V — Summary of Plan Provisions**Deferred vested**

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| ▪ Eligibility | A participant terminates employment. |
| ▪ Benefit | All termination benefits are 100% vested at all times. If the participant terminates employment, he shall be entitled to receive a monthly benefit commencing at normal retirement and continuing for the remainder of his lifetime. The participant may elect to receive a reduced benefit commencing on the first day of any month following his 55th birthday, provided he had 10 years of service at termination of employment. |

Disability

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| ▪ Eligibility | A participant who, as of September 30, 2003, was eligible to receive disability benefits from a long-term disability program of Progress Energy, Inc. and its predecessors. |
| ▪ Benefit | For LTD employees with Progress Energy:

Pay credits shall be credited to the cash balance account on December 31. This is determined by multiplying the percentage factor by the member's compensation. See table of pay credits. |

Age at Beginning of Year	Basic Annual Credits	Additional Annual Credit*
Less than 34	3.00%	3.00%
35-39	3.50%	3.50%
40-44	4.25%	4.25%
45-49	5.00%	5.00%
50-54	6.00%	6.00%
55 and Over	7.00%	7.00%

*Additional Credit for pay in excess of 80% of Social Security Taxable Wage Base

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For LTD employees with Progress Energy:

Transition credits shall be credited to the cash balance account on December 31. This is determined by multiplying the percentage factor by the member's compensation. See table of transition credits.

**NCNG Transition Credits Made at End
of each Plan Year Commencing on or
after January 1, 2000**

**Based on Age of Supplement A
Participant on January 1, 2000**

Attained age at beginning of year of Credit	Based on Age of Supplement A Participant on January 1, 2000			
	Less than 35	35-44	45-54	55-65
Less than 29	0.5%			
29-33	1.0			
34-38	1.5	2.5%		
39-43	2.0	3.5		
44-48	2.5	4.5	6.0%	
49-53	3.0	5.5	8.0	
54	3.5	6.5	11.0	9.5%
55	3.5	6.5	11.0	10.5
56	3.5	6.5	11.0	11.5
57	3.5	6.5	11.0	12.5
58	3.5	6.5	11.0	13.5
59	4.0	6.5	13.5	14.5
60	4.0	7.5	13.5	15.5
61	4.0	7.5	13.5	16.5
62	4.0	7.5	13.5	17.5
63	4.0	7.5	13.5	18.5
64-65	4.0	7.5	13.5	19.5

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Pre-retirement death	
▪ Eligibility	Upon the death of a married vested participant who has not yet begun receiving benefits, the participant's surviving spouse will receive the survivor portion of a 50% joint & survivor annuity.
▪ Benefit prior to early retirement	For participants dying on or before the earliest retirement age the annuity is calculated as if the participant had separated from service on the day of his death, and had died the day after attaining the earliest retirement age.
▪ Benefit after early retirement	For participants dying after the earliest retirement age, the annuity is calculated as if the participant had begun receiving the annuity the day before he died.
Form of benefits	
▪ Automatic form for unmarried participants	The normal form of payment is a life annuity.
▪ Automatic form for married participants	Benefits to married participants will be paid in the form of an actuarially reduced 50% joint & survivor annuity unless the participant and spouse properly elect to receive another form of payment.
▪ Optional forms	Optional forms of payment include 50%, 75% and 100% joint and survivor options; 10 year certain and life option; lump-sum; Social Security leveling form; refund annuity and 100% survivor annuity with life reversion option
▪ Optional form conversion factors	<u>Optional form conversion except lump sums</u> Mortality: 1984 Unisex Pension Mortality Interest: 6% per annum <u>Lump sums</u> - the greater of above or Mortality: 417(e) mortality table Interest: PPA lump sum segment rates for the month of November prior to the plan year

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Miscellaneous	
▪ Maximum compensation	Compensation for any 12-month period used to determine accrued benefits may not exceed the limits in IRC Section 401(a)(17) for the calendar year in which the 12-month period begins. This limit is indexed annually. For 2010, the limit is \$245,000.
▪ Maximum benefits	Annual benefits may not exceed the limits in IRC Section 415. This limit is indexed annually. For 2010, the limit is \$195,000.
▪ Administration	Benefit Plan Committee appointed by the Board of Directors of the Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
▪ Funding medium	Trust.
▪ Benefits not included in valuation	None

Plan provision changes since prior valuation

Maximum compensation and maximum benefits were updated from 2009 to 2010.

Schedule SB, Part V — Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods**Actuarial assumptions****Discount rate sponsor elections**

▪ Segment rates or full yield curve	Segment rates
▪ Look-back months	0
▪ First 5 years	4.60%
▪ Next 15 years	6.65%
▪ Over 20 years	6.76%

Mortality sponsor elections

▪ Healthy participants	Section 430(h)(3) prescribed separate generational annuitant and nonannuitant mortality tables. These tables are based on the RP-2000 mortality tables projected with continual mortality improvement
▪ Pre-1995 disabilities	Revenue Ruling 96-7 table for participants who became disabled before 1995
▪ Post-1994 disabilities	Revenue Ruling 96-7 table for participants who became disabled after 1994 and are eligible for Social Security disability benefits

417(e) lump sums

Liabilities are determined based on the underlying annuity used by the plan to determine the lump sum amount, rather than valuing the lump sum payment. This annuity is valued based on funding interest rates rather than 417(e) rates and current year 417(e) unisex mortality.

Non-417(e) lump sums

▪ Mortality table	UP84
▪ Interest rate	6.00%

Cash balance plans

▪ Interest accumulation rate	4.00%
▪ Whipsaw calculations	No
▪ Annuity conversion	
– Mortality table	2010 PPA unisex mortality
– Interest rate basis	Funding segment rates

Schedule SB, Part V — Statement of Actuarial Assumptions/Methods**Other economic assumptions**

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| ▪ Salary increases | 3.87% weighted average increase, see table of sample rates |
| ▪ Social Security wage base | 3.50% per year |
| ▪ Inflation | 2.50% per year |
| ▪ Expected investment return | 7.50% per year for years 2008 through 2010. |
| ▪ Expenses | Administrative expenses are assumed to be paid at the beginning of the year and are set equal to the previous year's actual administration expenses. For 2010 the assumed expenses are \$239,471. |

Demographic assumptions

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| ▪ Withdrawal | See table of sample rates. |
| ▪ Disability incidence | See table of sample rates. |
| ▪ Retirement age | |

<u>Attained age</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Under 55	0%
55	5%
56	5%
57	5%
58	5%
59	5%
60	10%
61	10%
62	75%
63	75%
64	75%
65 and above	100%

Benefit commencement age for

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| ▪ Future vested deferred | 62 |
| ▪ Current vested deferred | 62 |

Spouse assumptions**Male participants****Female participants**

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| ▪ Percentage married | 80% | 60% |
| ▪ Spouse age difference | 3 years younger | 3 years older |

Form of payment**Lump sum****Single life**

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| ▪ Active retirements | 90% | 10% |
| ▪ Future vested deferred | 90% | 10% |
| ▪ Future disabilities | 90% | 10% |
| ▪ Future deaths | 90% | 10% |
| ▪ Current vested deferred | 0% | 100% |

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Unpredictable contingent event assumptions	Not applicable
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Table of sample rates

Attained Age	Percentage			
	Disability		Withdrawal ¹	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
20	.0000%	.0000%	2.9000%	5.8000%
25	.0000%	.0000%	2.3500%	4.7000%
30	.0450%	.0450%	1.8500%	3.7000%
35	.0525%	.0525%	1.4000%	2.8000%
40	.0825%	.0825%	1.1000%	2.2000%
45	.1650%	.1650%	.9000%	1.8000%
50	.3450%	.3450%	.6500%	1.3000%
55	.7650%	.7650%	.0000%	.0000%
60	1.2150%	1.2150%	.0000%	.0000%
65	.0000%	.0000%	.0000%	.0000%

¹ 10% turnover for the first two years of employment and the ultimate withdrawal rates thereafter

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Percentage	
Earnings Progression	
Attained Age	Increase at Attained Age
20	9.0%
25	9.0%
30	8.0%
35	7.0%
40	6.0%
45	5.0%
50	4.0%
55	3.0%
60	3.0%

Actuarial methods**Asset methods**

The asset valuation method is an average of the adjusted market value for each month during the last 24 months preceding the valuation date. The adjusted market value is the market value at each determination date adjusted to the valuation date based on actual cash flows and expected interest at the lesser of the expected rate of return and the third segment rate. This amount is adjusted to be no greater than 110 percent and no less than 90 percent of the fair market value, as defined in IRC Section 430.

A characteristic of this asset method is that, over time, it is slightly more likely to produce an actuarial value of assets that is less than the market value of assets than an actuarial value that is greater than the market value.

Participant methods

Participants or former participants are included or excluded from the valuation as described below:

- **Participants included:** The plan sponsor provides us with data on all employees as of the valuation date, but only those employees who have completed the plan's eligibility requirements are included in the valuation of liabilities.
- **Participants excluded:** No actuarial liability is included for nonvested participants who terminated prior to the valuation date. For this purpose, participants with a break in service on the valuation date are treated as terminated participants.
- **Insurance contracts:** The plan does not have any insurance contracts.

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Minimum funding methods

The funding target for minimum funding calculations is computed using the traditional unit credit method of funding. The objective under this method is to fund each participant's benefits under the plan as they accrue. Thus, the total pension to which each participant is expected to become entitled at retirement is broken down into units, each associated with a year of past or future credited service.

A detailed description of the calculation follows:

- The plan's valuation date is the beginning of the plan year.
- An individual's **funding target** is the present value of future benefits based on credited service and average pay as of the beginning of the plan year, and an individual's **target normal cost** is the present value of the benefit expected to accrue in the plan year. If multiple decrements are used, the funding target and the target normal cost for an individual is the sum of the component funding targets and target normal costs associated with the various anticipated separation dates.
- The plan provides disability benefits which are not based on service at disability. These benefits are attributed to service using the ratio of service on the valuation date to service at first eligibility.
- This plan provides benefits that are not a function of a participant's accrued benefit or years of service. This benefit is allocated to funding target based on the ratio of the participant's service at the beginning of the plan year to their service at each decrement age and is allocated to target normal cost based on the proportionate benefit attributable to the increase in the participant's service and compensation during the plan year.
- The plan's **target normal cost** is the sum of the individual target normal costs, and the plan's **funding target** is the sum of the individual funding targets for all participants under the plan.

Maximum deductible contribution method

Calculations of maximum deductible contributions include the excess of the funding target computed using the projected unit credit method over the minimum funding target. The objective of the projected unit credit method is to fund each participant's benefits under the plan as they accrue, taking into consideration expected future compensation increases. Thus, the total pension to which each participant is expected to become entitled at retirement is broken down into units, each associated with a year of past or future credited service.

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A detailed description of the calculation follows:

- An individual's **projected funding target** is the present value of benefits based on credited service as of the beginning of the plan year and projected compensation that would be used in the calculation of the benefit on each expected separation date. If multiple decrements are used, the projected funding target for an individual is the sum of the component projected funding targets associated with the various anticipated separation dates.

The plan's **projected funding target** is the sum of the projected funding targets for all participants under the plan. The excess of the plan's projected funding target over the plan's funding target is included in the "cushion amount."

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Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Cash		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Cash Equivalents:			
US Treasury Bills			
US Treasury Bill			
DTD 12/09/10 06/09/2011	300,000 units	299,727	299,727
Repurchase Agreements			
CS Repo DTD 12/31/10			
.23% due 1/3/11	2,100,000 units	2,100,000	2,100,000
Short Term Funds:			
Wells Fargo Advantage Cash Investment Fund			
Institutional Class - #451*	5,090,593 units	5,090,605	5,090,605
		<u>7,500,332</u>	<u>7,500,332</u>
Fixed Income:			
Government and Agencies			
US Treasury Bonds & NTS			
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 07/30/04 2.375 01/05/2025	200,000 units	270,744	259,314
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 04/15/99 8.975 04/15/2029	100,000 units	187,265	178,933
US Treasury Bond			
DTD 08/15/07 0.000 05/15/2037	4,200,000 units	1,222,230	1,231,986
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 01/31/07 2.375 01/15/2027	300,000 units	363,896	362,965
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 01/30/09 2.500 01/15/2029	350,000 units	420,670	406,382
		<u>2,464,805</u>	<u>2,439,580</u>

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Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Govt Strip & Zero CPN			
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	560,000 units	\$ 2,575,878	\$ 2,314,872
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	400,000 units	146,900	163,284
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	2,800,000 units	2,091,415	1,956,724
Tenn Val Auth CPN Strip Zero CPN DTD 01/15/98 07/15/2020	1,000,000 units	331,380	360,270
US Treasury Sec stripped Zero CPN DTD 08/17/09 08/15/2039	15,200,000 units	4,145,987	4,085,912
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 08/15/07 11/15/2034	3,500,000 units	1,209,649	1,155,980
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/15/08 12/15/2038	18,000,000 units	5,374,113	5,247,000
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 05/15/09 05/15/2039	4,000,000 units	1,106,760	1,087,640
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/15/08 8/15/2037	2,400,000 units	707,352	695,856
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/17/09 08/15/2038	3,800,000 units	1,156,606	1,047,736
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 11/16/09 11/15/2039	41,500,000 units	10,750,068	11,015,760
		<u>29,596,108</u>	<u>29,131,034</u>
Agency Bonds			
Fed Natl Mtg Assn DTD 11/03/00 6.625 11/15/2030	1,200,000 units	1,592,040	1,514,124
Tenn Valley Auth DTD 04/01/06 5.375 04/01/2056	100,000 units	104,467	107,504
Tenn Valley Auth DTD 09/25/10 4.625 09/15/2060	300,000 units	296,079	280,605
		<u>1,992,586</u>	<u>1,902,233</u>

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Bond Funds			
Mutual Bond Funds			
Harbor High-Yield Bond Institutional Bond Fund #2024	1,162,060 shares	\$ 12,203,655	\$ 12,666,453
Paps Long Duration Corporate Bond #1830	5,529,878 shares	58,027,470	59,059,098
Dodge & Cox Income Fund	118,918 shares	1,514,750	1,573,282
American Century Inflation Adjustment Bond	44,254 shares	486,438	520,871
		<u>72,232,313</u>	<u>73,819,704</u>
Corporate Bonds and Notes			
Strip and Zero CPN BD and Resolution FDG Corp Zero CPN DTD 10/15/90 10/15/2020	6,400,000 units	4,758,493	4,408,768
Private Placements			
AT&T Inc 144A Priv Plcmnt 5.350 09/01/2040	1,572,000 units	1,504,358	1,478,419
Cox Communications Inc 144A Priv Plcmnt 8.375 03/01/2039	250,000 units	312,303	323,977
CVS Pass Through Trust 144A Priv Plcmnt 7.507 10/01/2032	590,557 units	644,596	671,015
		<u>2,461,257</u>	<u>2,473,411</u>
Asset-Backed Securities			
Deutsche Alt -A Securities Nim 144A Priv Plcmnt 6.500 02/25/2047	15,816 units	316	-
NCUA Guaranteed Notes DTD 11/17/10 11/06/2017	491,069 units	491,070	490,917
		<u>491,386</u>	<u>490,917</u>

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Financials			
Bank of America NA			
DTD 05/02/08 5.650 05/01/2018	800,000 units	\$ 810,064	\$ 817,416
Capital One Bank USA NA			
DTD 06/25/09 8.800 07/15/2019	400,000 units	485,076	492,016
Citigroup Inc			
DTD 05/29/07 5.875 05/29/2037	900,000 units	860,445	880,461
Citigroup Inc			
DTD 07/23/09 8.125 07/15/2039	500,000 units	555,700	636,070
General Elec Cap Corp			
DTD 01/14/08 5.875 01/14/2038	1,500,000 units	1,419,275	1,557,075
Goldman Sachs Group Inc			
DTD 10/03/07 6.750 10/01/2037	900,000 units	885,933	920,160
HSBC Holdings PLC			
DTD 09/12/2007 6.500 09/15/2037	500,000 units	529,765	523,620
JP Morgan Chase & Co			
DTD 5/22/08 6.400 05/15/2038	800,000 units	877,880	907,352
Morgan St Dean Witter			
DTD 04/03/02 7.250 04/01/2032	200,000 units	217,288	228,978
Prudential Financial Inc			
DTD 11/18/10 6.200 11/15/2040	500,000 units	497,040	528,925
Wachovia Bank NA*			
DTD 12/07/07 6.600 01/15/2038	1,500,000 units	1,542,075	1,651,605
		<u>8,680,541</u>	<u>9,143,678</u>

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Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Industrials			
American Express			
DTD 03/19/08 8.150 03/19/2038	300,000 units	\$ 391,032	\$ 406,347
AT&T Corp			
DTD 05/15/02 8.000 11/15/2031	17,000 units	20,879	21,367
Burlington North Santa Fe			
DTD 05/17/10 5.570 05/01/2040	400,000 units	405,588	413,848
Comcast Corp			
DTD 03/14/03 7.050 03/15/2033	900,000 units	989,105	1,028,151
Pacific Gas & Electric			
DTD 11/18/09 5.400 01/15/2040	800,000 units	779,992	808,088
Pfizer Inc			
DTD 03/24/09 7.200 03/15/2039	300,000 units	372,372	388,212
Time Warner Inc.			
DTD 07/14/10 6.100 07/15/2040	500,000 units	499,655	524,645
Verizon Communications			
DTD 11/04/08 8.950 03/01/2039	900,000 units	1,237,086	1,282,581
Wal-Mart Stores Inc			
DTD 04/15/08 6.200 04/15/2038	400,000 units	444,436	455,368
		<u>5,140,145</u>	<u>5,328,607</u>
Other Global Corp Bonds			
Telefonica Emisiones SAU			
DTD 06/20/06 7.045 06/20/2036	100,000 units	107,840	102,318

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Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Other Assets			
Contracts and Swaps			
Call Options			
Call Wr. Opt on EDU1 Future Contract			
Strike 99.375 exp 09/19/2011	(28) shares	\$ (13,106)	\$ (16,450)
Put Options			
Put Wr. Opt on EDU1 Future Contract			
Strike 99.375 exp 09/19/2011	(28) shares	(17,918)	(11,550)
Future Contracts			
EDM2 EURO\$ (90-Day) future June 2012	25 units	-	-
Swaps			
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/16/2010 MATD 06/16/2011	-45,000,000 par	-	-
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/15/2011 MATD 06/15/2012	-20,000,000 par	-	-
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/16/2010 MATD 06/16/2011	45,000,000 par	997,650	547,502
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/15/2011 MATD 06/15/2012	20,000,000 par	301,000	463,570
Put Options			
Put Write Option on Inflation Index			
USD CPURNSA 216.687			
OPT EXP 04/07/20 PMT at Maturity	(1,800,000)	(16,200)	(17,938)
Undefined Sector			
CDX Index Swap IG15 5Y w/Boa SWPC201J3			
PMT Frequency Q Receive 1.00			
EFFDT 09/20/10 Due 09/20/2015	(3,700,000)	(15,343)	25,751
CDX Index Swap IG15 5Y w/Boa SWPC201J9			
PMT Frequency Q Receive 1.00			
EFFDT 09/20/10 Due 09/20/2015	(5,700,000)	(23,514)	39,671
		<u>1,212,569</u>	<u>1,030,556</u>

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Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (Continued)
December 31, 2010

Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Common Stocks:			
Amedisys Inc	6,100 shares	\$ 355,937	\$ 204,350
Acacia Research Corp - Acacia Tech	16,300 shares	255,249	422,822
Actuant Corp-CI A	16,000 shares	353,009	425,920
Aegon N.V. ADR	11,698 shares	125,964	71,709
Alterra Capital Holdings Ltd.	14,300 shares	279,660	309,452
American Equity Invst Life Hldg Co Com	23,900 shares	248,077	299,945
Amgen Inc	5,900 shares	291,260	323,910
Andersons Inc Com	9,000 shares	271,598	327,150
Aol Inc	1,996 shares	50,148	47,325
Atlas Air Worldwide Hlldgs Inc Com New	6,900 shares	222,085	385,227
AXT Inc	7,800 shares	72,351	81,432
Baker Hughes Inc Com	4,300 shares	171,711	245,831
Bank New York Mellon Corp Com	9,500 shares	264,520	286,900
BB&T Corp Com	3,800 shares	73,376	99,902
Biomed Rlty Tr Inc	17,800 shares	232,604	331,970
BMC Software Inc	1,800 shares	33,258	84,852
Boise Inc	44,000 shares	278,455	348,920
Boston Scientific Corp Com	20,300 shares	201,161	153,671
Brandywine rlty Tr Bd	19,600 shares	224,458	228,340
Bristow Group Inc	8,300 shares	276,417	393,005
Cadence Design Systems Inc	5,400 shares	47,914	44,604
Capital One Financial Corp	8,400 shares	348,746	357,504
Capstead Mortgage Corp	20,400 shares	267,117	256,836
Cardtronics Inc	15,000 shares	215,208	265,500
Carefusion Corp	2,500 shares	74,256	64,250
Carmax Inc	1,800 shares	27,335	57,384
Carter Holdings	13,700 shares	343,070	404,287
Cash America International Inc	10,100 shares	291,049	372,993
Cemex S.A.B DE C.C. ADR	3,592 shares	58,852	38,470
Chemed Corp New Com	6,300 shares	354,274	400,113
Chevron Corp	2,607 shares	143,943	237,889
Cinemark Holdings Inc	17,100 shares	233,304	294,804
City Hldg Co	7,200 shares	225,900	260,856
Cleco Corp New	12,400 shares	298,536	381,424
Coinstar Inc Com	6,300 shares	323,663	355,572
Columbia Banking System Inc	15,500 shares	326,066	326,430

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Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (Continued)
December 31, 2010

Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Comcast Corp Class A	19,849 shares	\$ 380,767	\$ 436,083
Computer Sciences Corp	2,500 shares	109,873	124,000
Compuware Corp Com	6,600 shares	50,114	77,022
Comtech Telecommunications Corp	9,000 shares	298,870	249,818
Corinthian Colleges Inc	13,000 shares	156,748	67,730
Covidien PLC	1,375 shares	52,088	62,783
Credit Suisse Group - ADR	1,100 shares	51,232	44,451
Curtiss Wright Corp Com	7,500 shares	231,910	249,000
Diageo PLC - ADR	700 shares	47,746	52,031
Dish Network Corp	2,400 shares	57,361	47,184
Dow Chemicals Co	7,500 shares	248,706	256,050
Dun & Bradstreet Corp Del New	400 shares	27,581	32,836
Ebay Inc	8,500 shares	218,936	236,555
Electronic Arts Inc	7,200 shares	130,758	117,936
Enersys Com	13,800 shares	323,418	443,256
Ericsson LM Telephone Company - ADR	6,500 shares	62,663	74,945
Euronet Worldwide Inc	13,800 shares	262,643	240,672
Fedex corporation	3,400 shares	248,884	316,234
First Cash Financial Services, Inc	8,700 shares	157,970	269,613
Force Protection Inc	42,100 shares	224,096	231,971
FTI Consulting Inc Com	3,300 shares	114,148	123,024
General Electric Co	22,500 shares	505,829	411,525
Genworth Finl Inc	4,000 shares	59,869	52,560
Gilead sciences Inc	14,600 shares	31,156	32,616
GlaxoSmithKline PLC - ADR	7,000 shares	322,713	274,540
Global Cash Access Hldg Inc	11,880 shares	99,782	37,897
GMX resources Inc	17,600 shares	200,666	97,152
Goldman Sachs Group Inc	400 shares	58,519	67,264
Hawaiian Holdings Inc	39,600 shares	293,463	310,464
Health Mgmt Assoc Inc New CL A	40,100 shares	224,148	382,554
Healthspring Inc	14,600 shares	241,820	387,338
Hewlett Packard Co	12,421 shares	353,447	522,924
Holly Corp	9,300 shares	192,682	379,161
Home Depot Inc	5,500 shares	155,875	192,830
Horace Mann Educators Corp New	16,900 shares	199,205	304,876
Horsehead Holdings Inc	23,000 shares	257,319	299,920
HSBC - ADR	1,185 shares	79,912	60,482

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Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (Continued)
December 31, 2010

Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Iberiabank Corp	6,100 shares	\$ 273,889	\$ 360,693
Innphos Holdings Inc	4,750 shares	166,606	171,380
Interpublic Group Cos Inc	6,200 shares	63,835	65,844
Jos A Bank Clothiers Inc	5,650 shares	143,690	227,808
Kirklands Inc	14,100 shares	171,678	197,823
Lasalle Hotel Properties Com	14,700 shares	282,537	388,080
Legg Mason Inc Com	1,700 shares	142,033	61,659
Liberty Global Inc	400 shares	15,054	14,152
Liberty Global Inc Com Ser C	400 shares	14,218	13,556
Liberty Media-Interactive A	7,725 shares	77,995	121,823
Loews Corp	1,200 shares	24,418	46,692
LSB Inds Inc	13,140 shares	231,938	318,776
Maxin Integrated Prods Inc	6,700 shares	86,215	158,254
McGraw-Hill Companies Inc	1,700 shares	61,585	61,897
Medicis Pharmaceutical corp CL A New	9,400 shares	256,887	251,826
Medtronic Inc	2,000 shares	73,889	74,180
Merck & Co Inc New	11,000 shares	290,743	396,440
Mgic Invt corp WI	32,600 shares	306,101	332,194
Molex Inc CL A	3,100 shares	74,899	58,497
Motorola Inc	34,000 shares	473,817	308,380
Multi-Fineline electronix Inc Com	7,00 shares	186,383	190,728
Net 1 UEPS Technologies Inc	17,100 shares	231,081	209,646
Newpark Res Inc Com	43,200 shares	317,515	266,112
News Corp CL A	21,200 shares	288,882	308,672
Nokia Corporation - ADR	6,400 shares	69,569	66,048
Novartis AG- ADR	5,000 shares	271,780	294,750
Occidental Pete Corp	3,200 shares	116,382	313,920
Ocwen Finl Corp New	33,500 shares	350,037	319,590
Officemax Inc Delcom	10,800 shares	196,454	191,160
Old Dominion Freights Lines Inc	13,150 shares	313,192	420,669
Omega Healthcare Invs Inc Com	14,700 shares	250,551	329,868
Orbitals sciences Corp	17,700 shares	292,888	303,201
Panasonic Corporation	7,000 shares	107,789	98,700
Pantry Inc	15,900 shares	331,459	315,774
Pfizer Inc	18,600 shares	354,206	325,686
Pitney Bowes Inc	3,000 shares	111,418	72,540
Plantronics Inc Com	9,100 shares	299,723	338,702

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Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (Continued)
December 31, 2010

Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Polypore International Inc	5,200 shares	\$ 169,127	\$ 211,796
Power-One Inc	24,900 shares	255,594	253,980
PS Business Parks Inc/Ca	5,200 shares	248,283	289,744
Questcor Pharmaceuticals Inc	26,000 shares	162,815	382,980
Quiksilver Inc Com	52,000 shares	233,592	263,640
Rent-a-Center Inc	8,900 shares	269,007	287,292
RF Micro Devices Inc Com	46,700 shares	242,336	343,245
Royal Dutch Shell Plc	700 shares	32,919	46,746
Royal Gold Inc	3,700 shares	155,844	202,131
Sanofi - Aventis - ADR	6,800 shares	266,972	219,164
Schulman A Inc	14,300 shares	295,592	327,327
Schulmberger LTD	4,700 shares	236,209	392,450
Schwab Charles Corp New	9,000 shares	147,033	153,990
Schweitzer - Maudit Intl Inc Com	4,735 shares	221,326	297,926
Shuffle Master Inc Com	28,600 shares	265,197	327,470
Shutterfly Inc	10,600 shares	201,491	369,834
Silicon Image Inc	5,700 shares	41,195	41,895
SLM Corp	6,400 shares	153,472	80,576
Solutia Inc/New	14,300 shares	175,061	330,044
Sony Corporation - ADR	4,200 shares	144,826	149,982
Southwest Gas Corp	8,300 shares	222,070	304,361
Sprint Nextel Corp	37,500 shares	369,840	158,625
Standard Microsystems Corp	11,800 shares	251,566	340,194
Sterling Bancshares Inc Com	50,800 shares	316,037	356,616
Suntrust Banks Inc	1,900 shares	40,838	56,069
SVB Finl Group	7,800 shares	284,581	413,790
SXC Healthcare Solutions Corp	8,500 shares	145,812	364,310
Symantec Corp	11,000 shares	165,404	184,140
Synopsys Inc Com	3,500 shares	78,875	94,185
Telecommunications Sys Inc CL A	32,200 shares	226,201	150,374
Tennant Co	8,800 shares	303,898	338,008
Time Warner Cable Inc	3,050 shares	115,606	201,392
Time Warner Inc	9,766 shares	304,042	314,172
Tower Group Inc	13,600 shares	332,868	348,160
Travelers Companies, Inc	1,700 shares	76,756	94,707
True Religion Apparel Inc	12,500 shares	273,342	278,250
Tyco Electronics LTD F	3,575 shares	112,398	126,555
Tyco Electronics LTD F	2,275 shares	94,344	94,276
Unisource Energy Corp Com	10,200 shares	338,497	365,568

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Form 5500, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) (Continued)
December 31, 2010

Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
US Bancorp Del New	2,700 shares	\$ 59,047	\$ 72,819
Usec Inc	22,500 shares	132,124	135,450
Valassis Communications Inc Com	10,100 shares	342,012	326,735
Valueclick Inc	24,600 shares	294,978	394,338
Venoco Inc	17,300 shares	223,391	319,185
Vodafone Group PLC New	7,300 shares	141,980	193,012
Vulcan Matls Co	1,800 shares	87,674	79,848
Walgreen Co	3,900 shares	128,604	151,944
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	2,400 shares	115,745	129,432
Wells Fargo & Co*	14,133 shares	704,451	437,981
Wintrust Finl Corp	12,000 shares	434,275	396,360
World Accept Corp Del	6,500 shares	262,512	343,200
Xerox Inc	17,900 shares	158,466	206,208
ZHongpin Inc	9,100 shares	184,781	185,640
		<u>33,155,690</u>	<u>37,682,682</u>
Equity Funds:			
Collective Equity Funds			
Fisher Investments Foreign Equity Fund	19,542,491 units	19,542,492	20,085,906
JP Morgan Mult- Strategy fund II LTD	9,400 shares	11,800,000	12,581,595
		<u>31,342,492</u>	<u>32,667,501</u>
Mutual Funds			
Harbor Capital Appreciation Fund Class	363,585 units	12,661,624	13,650,032
Prudential Global Real Estate Fund Class Z	646,063 units	10,532,119	12,612,142
Thornburg International Value Fund	16243 units	16,340,264	19,458,889
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	103,513 units	10,937,671	12,438,463
American Funds Europacific Growth	11,106 shares	464,088	459,446
Dodge & Cox Stock Fund #145	2,763 shares	295,112	297,751
T Rowe Price New Horizons Fund	9,694 shares	253,641	324,641
Wells Fargo Advance Special Small Cap Value Fund*	14,502 shares	263,565	316,288
		<u>51,748,084</u>	<u>59,557,652</u>
Options and Futures:			
Other Limited Partnerships:			
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010 US Fund LP	636,000 shares	636,000	678,408
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010 Direct Fund LP	196,800 shares	196,800	176,740
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010			
Non-US Developed Market Fund LP	144,000 shares	144,000	127,067
		<u>976,800</u>	<u>982,215</u>
		<u>\$ 253,861,441</u>	<u>\$ 268,661,188</u>

The above information has been certified by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the trustee, as "complete and accurate".

*Represents a party-in-interest.

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
Series of Transactions in the Same Security						
US Treasury	US Treasury 4.5% 8/17/09 to 8/15/39					
	1 Purchase	\$ 16,564,313	\$ -	\$ 16,564,313	\$ 16,564,313	\$ -
	2 Sales	-	16,655,438	16,564,313	16,655,438	91,125
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 2/15/08 to 2/15/38					
	2 Purchases	17,975,065	-	17,975,065	17,975,065	-
	1 Sale	-	14,947,018	14,239,317	14,947,018	707,701
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/16/09 to 11/15/39					
	3 Purchases	57,869,870	-	57,869,870	57,869,870	-
	4 Sales	-	53,145,257	54,819,351	53,145,257	(1,674,094)

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Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
Series of Transactions in the Same Security (Continued)						
Wells Fargo	Wells Fargo Advantage Cash Investment Fund					
	Purchase	\$ 306,881,569	\$ -	\$ 306,881,569	\$ 306,881,569	\$ -
	Sale	-	301,790,977	301,790,977	301,790,977	-
Evergreen	Evergreen Prime Cash Fund					
	Purchase	174,839,392	-	174,839,392	174,839,392	-
	Sale	-	174,612,092	174,612,092	174,612,092	-
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD					
	2 Purchases	56,500,000	-	56,500,000	56,500,000	-
	3 Sales	-	3,899,999	3,938,075	3,899,999	(38,076)
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Tot R-IS					
	2 Purchases	226,288	-	226,288	226,288	-
	2 Sales	-	68,613,094	67,102,191	68,613,094	1,510,903
Vanguard	Vanguard Institutional Index					
	2 Purchases	10,347,195	-	10,347,195	10,347,195	-
	1 sale	-	550,400	501,736	550,400	48,664
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund					
	0 Purchases	-	-	-	-	-
	5 Sales	-	22,078,195	21,306,452	22,078,195	771,743

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Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
Single Transactions						
Barclays	Barclays Repo DTD .22 Due 11/15/10	\$ 9,900,000	\$ -	\$ 9,900,000	\$ 9,900,000	\$ -
Barclays	Barcalys Repo DTD .22 Due 11/15/10	-	9,900,000	9,900,000	9,900,000	-
Harbor	Harbor Capital Appreciation Fund	12,632,961	-	12,632,961	12,632,961	-
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped Zero Coupon 8/15/2039	11,477,248	-	11,477,248	11,477,248	-
US Treasury	US Treasury 4.5% from 8/17/09 to 8/15/2039	-	16,159,500	16,068,375	16,159,500	91,125
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/15/2039	44,465,030	-	44,065,030	44,065,030	-
US Treasury	US Treasury BD Stripped 11/15/2039	9,788,000	-	9,788,000	9,788,000	-
US Treasury	US Treasury 08/15/2039	16,564,313	-	16,564,313	16,564,313	-
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 2/15/08 to 2/15/38	-	14,947,018	14,239,317	14,947,018	707,701
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/16/09 to 11/15/2039	-	48,297,732	49,974,664	48,297,732	(1,676,932)

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Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
<i>Single Transactions (Continued)</i>						
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD	\$ 37,000,000	\$ -	\$ 37,000,000	\$ 37,000,000	\$ -
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD	19,500,000	-	19,500,000	19,500,000	-
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Tot R-IS	-	68,387,237	66,875,917	68,387,237	1,511,320
Vanguard	Vanguard Institutional Index	10,300,000	-	10,300,000	10,300,000	-
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund	-	9,700,000	9,505,225	9,700,000	194,775
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund	-	12,354,795	11,777,725	12,354,795	577,070

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits as of December 31,
2010 and 2009 and Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available
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NOTE: All other schedules required by Section 2520.103-10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 have been omitted because they are not applicable.



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Benefits Committee and Participants in the
Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.
Charlotte, North Carolina

We were engaged to audit the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the supplemental schedules, Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2010 and Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j – Schedule of Reportable Transactions for the year ended December 31, 2010. These financial statements and supplemental schedules are the responsibility of the Plan's management.

As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the United States 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 5, which was certified or provided by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the current trustee of the Plan, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010, and Wachovia Bank, N.A., the former trustee of the Plan as of December 31, 2009, except for comparing this information with the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedules. We have been informed by the Plan Administrator that the current and former trustee holds/held the Plan's assets and executes/executed transactions. The Plan Administrator has obtained certifications from the trustees regarding the completeness and accuracy of the information summarized in Note 5 that was provided to the Plan Administrator by the current trustee as of and for the year ended December 31, 2010 and the former trustee as of December 31, 2009.

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 schedules taken as a whole. The form and content of the information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedules, other than that derived from the information certified or provided by the current and former trustees, have been audited by us in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and, in our opinion, are presented in compliance with the United States Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

As discussed in Note 12, certain balances on the statement of net assets available for plan benefits and the statement of changes in net assets available for plan benefits as of December 31, 2009 have been restated due to the incorrect recognition of certain prior year amounts as contributions in the year received instead of the year for which the contributions were made.

McGladrey & Pullen, LLP

Charlotte, North Carolina
October 10, 2011

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2010 and 2009**

	2010	2009 (As Restated)
Assets		
Investments - at fair value:		
Cash equivalents	\$ 7,443,636	\$ 2,843,825
Government and agency bonds	33,472,847	-
Corporate bonds	21,456,782	702,691
Corporate stocks - common	37,682,682	38,780,057
Mutual funds - equity	25,255,850	-
Mutual funds - international equity	31,321,219	22,129,620
Common trust fund - equity	20,085,906	36,880,042
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	2,606,394
Contracts and other	1,030,556	-
Asset-backed securities	490,917	44,777
Mutual funds - fixed taxable bonds	71,456,847	75,659,706
Outside collective funds	982,215	142,511
Hedge fund - equity/other	12,581,595	9,540,860
Total investments	263,261,052	189,330,483
Net assets held in 401(h) account	5,390,136	4,860,610
Cash	10,000	322,991
Receivables:		
Employer contributions	-	22,000,000
Due from banker for securities purchased	4,923,843	41,964
Accrued interest and dividends	431,888	86,791
Total receivables	5,355,731	22,128,755
Total assets	274,016,919	216,642,839
Liabilities		
Amounts related to obligation of 401(h) account	5,390,136	4,860,610
Due to broker for securities purchased	17,062,367	424,328
Accrued administrative expenses	241,985	122,673
Total liabilities	22,694,488	5,407,611
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 251,322,431	\$ 211,235,228

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

**Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
For the Years Ended December 31, 2010 and 2009**

	2010	2009 (As Restated)
Additions to net assets attributed to:		
Investment income:		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 16,375,765	\$ 28,429,902
Interest	5,110,405	1,100,697
Dividends and other	8,138,997	6,117,267
Total investment income	29,625,167	35,647,866
Employer contributions	22,000,000	22,000,000
Total additions	51,625,167	57,647,866
Deductions from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid directly to participants	10,414,036	8,182,514
Administrative expenses	1,123,928	872,131
Total deductions	11,537,964	9,054,645
Net increase	40,087,203	48,593,221
Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year, as previously reported	-	140,642,007
Adjustment for prior year receivable not recorded	-	22,000,000
Beginning of year, as restated	211,235,228	162,642,007
End of year	\$ 251,322,431	\$ 211,235,228

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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Note 1. Description of the Plan

The following brief description of the Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information.

General: The Plan is a defined benefit pension plan covering most employees of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (the "Company"). The Benefits Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company controls and manages the operation and administration of the Plan. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. ("Wells Fargo") serves as the current trustee of the Plan with Wachovia Bank, N.A. serving as the former trustee of the Plan, and together with the Benefits Committee manages the Plan's investments. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Effective January 1, 2008, the Plan was amended for all employees not covered by the bargaining unit contract in Nashville, Tennessee to close the Plan to employees hired after December 31, 2007 and to modify how benefits are accrued in the future for existing employees. Employees hired prior to January 1, 2008 will continue to participate in the amended traditional defined benefit pension plan. These same amendments were effective on January 1, 2009 for employees covered by the bargaining unit contract in Nashville, Tennessee.

Employees hired or rehired after December 31, 2007 (or December 31, 2008 for employees covered by the bargaining unit contract in Nashville, Tennessee) will not participate in the amended traditional pension plan but will be participants in the new Money Purchase Pension ("MPP") plan, a defined contribution pension plan that allows the employee to direct the investments.

Pension benefits: In general, monthly retirement benefits begin at age 65 and are determined based on a participant's year of birth, final average compensation, social security taxable wage bases and years of service. The Plan also provides for early retirement and late retirement.

For service earned after December 31, 2007, a consistent rate will be applied to each year of service so that employees accrue benefits more evenly. For service earned prior to January 1, 2008, the rate used in the formula to calculate an employee's pension benefit is greater for the first twenty years of service than it is for the next fifteen years of service. Employees can be credited with up to a total of 35 years of service. When an employee leaves the Company, his benefit payment will be calculated as the greater of the accrued benefit as of December 31, 2007 under the old formula plus the accrued benefit under the new formula for years of service after December 31, 2007, or the benefit for all years of service up to 35 years under the new formula.

Vesting: The Plan provides for full vesting of benefits after five years of service.

Payment of benefits: Benefits to participants are paid as a straight life annuity, joint and 50%/75%/100% survivor annuity, at 5, 10, and 15-year certain and life options, or as a lump-sum payment. Straight life annuity and lump-sum options require the spouse's consent.

Death and disability benefits: The Plan contains provisions for the payment of early retirement benefits, disability benefits, and vested benefits at termination for reasons other than retirement or disability.

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Note 1. Description of the Plan (Continued)

401(h) account: A separate account has been established and maintained in the Plan for the net assets related to the medical-benefit component ("401(h) account"). In accordance with IRC Section 401(h), the Plan's investments in the 401(h) account may not be used for, or diverted to, any purpose other than providing health benefits for retirees and their beneficiaries. Any assets transferred to the 401(h) account from the defined benefit pension plan in a qualified transfer of excess pension plan assets (and any income allocable thereto) that are not used during the Plan year must be transferred out of the account to the pension plan. The related obligations for health benefits are not included in this Plan's obligations in the statement of accumulated plan benefits but are reflected as obligations in the financial statements of the health and welfare benefit plan. Plan participants do not contribute to the 401(h) account. Employer contributions or qualified transfers to the 401(h) account are determined annually and are at the discretion of the Company. Certain of the Plan's net assets are restricted to fund a portion of postretirement health benefits for retirees and their beneficiaries in accordance with IRC Section 401(h).

Note 2. Summary of Accounting Policies

Accounting records: The accounting records of the Plan are maintained by the current trustee, Wells Fargo, and were previously maintained by the former trustee, Wachovia Bank, N.A. Annual financial statements and supplemental schedules are furnished to the Plan by the trustee.

Basis of accounting: The accounts of the Plan are maintained on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Plan Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and net assets available for benefits, and changes therein, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits at the date of the financial statements and changes therein. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment valuation and income recognition: The Plan's investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 7 for discussion of fair value measurements.

We utilize market data or assumptions about risk and the risks inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. These inputs can be readily observable, market corroborated or generally observable. We primarily apply the market approach for recurring fair value measurements and endeavor to utilize the best available information. Accordingly, we use valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. We are able to classify fair value balances based on the observance of those inputs into the fair value hierarchy levels as set forth in the fair value accounting guidance.

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Note 2. Summary of Accounting Policies (Continued)

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for investments measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2010 and 2009.

Cash equivalents: Valued at the net asset value ("NAV") of the funds in which it participates at year-end.

Common stock and hedging instruments: Valued at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Mutual funds and net assets held in 401(h) accounts: Valued at the NAV of shares held by the Plan at year end as reported on the active market on which the funds are traded.

Common trust fund and multi-strategy hedge fund: Valued at the NAV of the funds in which it participates at year-end.

Corporate bonds, collateralized mortgage obligations, government and agency bonds, asset-backed securities and mortgage-backed pass-throughs: Valued based on a compilation of primary observable market information or a broker quote in a non-active market.

Our Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) or NAVs in active markets that we have the ability to access as of the reporting date and consist of investments in common stock, and mutual funds. Level 2 inputs which are inputs other than quoted prices in active markets included in Level 1, which are directly or indirectly corroborated or observable as of the reporting date and generally use valuation methodologies, consist of corporate bonds, collateralized mortgage obligations, asset-backed securities, mortgage-backed pass-throughs, common trust funds, and a multi-strategy hedge fund. These investments are Level 2 inputs as their fair value is estimated using pricing models and discounted cash flows that consider standard input factors such as observable market data, benchmark yields, interest rate volatilities, broker/dealer quotes, and credit spreads. Level 3 inputs which are unobservable include outside collective funds in the current year.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although 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.

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. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Management fees and operating expenses charged to the Plan for investments in the mutual funds and common trust funds are deducted from income earned on a daily basis and are not separately reflected. Consequently, management fees and operating expenses are reflected as a reduction of investment return for such investments.

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Note 2. Summary of Accounting Policies (Continued)

Risks and uncertainties: The Plan utilizes various investment instruments including U.S. government securities, corporate debt instruments, mutual funds, and corporate stocks. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in values of investment securities will occur in the near term and those changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Plan contributions are made and the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits are prepared based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, inflation rates, and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimation and assumption process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term could be material to the financial statements.

Payment of benefits: Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution.

Administrative expenses: Administrative expenses of the Plan are paid by the Plan, as provided by the Plan document.

Income taxes: Management evaluated the Plan's tax positions in accordance with the FASB guidance on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes and concluded that the Plan had maintained its tax exempt status and had taken no uncertain tax positions that require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. Therefore, no provision or liability for income taxes has been included in the financial statements. With few exceptions, the Plan is no longer subject to income tax examinations by U.S. federal, state, or local tax authorities for years before 2007.

Subsequent events: The Plan Administrator has evaluated subsequent events (events occurring after December 31, 2010) through October 10, 2011, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Accounting pronouncements adopted: In January 2010, the FASB released accounting guidance that requires new fair value measurement classification disclosures and clarifies existing disclosures. The guidance requires disclosures about transfers into and out of Levels 1 and 2 of the fair value hierarchy, and separate disclosures about purchases, sales, issuances and settlements relating to Level 3 measurements. It also clarifies the existing fair value disclosures regarding valuation techniques, inputs used in those valuation models and at what level of detail fair value disclosures should be provided. The guidance is effective for interim and annual reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2009, except for the disaggregation of the Level 3 activity, which is effective for interim and annual periods beginning after December 15, 2010. The guidance is not expected to materially impact the Plan's current fair value disclosures.

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Note 2. Summary of Accounting Policies (Continued)

Accounting pronouncements not yet effective: In May 2011, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2011-04, *Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurements and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRS*. ASU 2011-4 amended Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, to converge the fair value measurement guidance in GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). Some of the amendments clarify the application of existing fair value measurement requirements, while other amendments change a particular principle in ASC 820. In addition, ASU 2011-04 requires additional fair value disclosures. The amendments are to be applied prospectively and are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2011. Plan management is currently evaluating the effect that the provisions of ASU 2011-04 will have on the Plan's financial statements.

Note 3. Funding Policy

Contributions to provide benefits under the Plan are made solely by the Company. The Company's funding policy is to make cash contributions to the Plan in amounts as determined by the Plan's independent actuary. The Company met the minimum funding requirements of ERISA in 2010 and 2009.

Note 4. Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits

Accumulated plan benefits are those future periodic payments, including lump-sum distributions, that are attributable under the Plan's provisions to service rendered by employees as of the valuation date. Accumulated plan benefits include benefits expected to be paid to (1) retired or terminated employees or their beneficiaries, (2) beneficiaries of employees who have died, and (3) present employees or their beneficiaries.

Benefits under the Plan are based on employees' compensation during their last five years of service. The accumulated plan benefits for active employees are based on their average compensation during the five years ending on the date as of which the benefit information is presented (the valuation date). Benefits payable under all circumstances--retirement, death, disability, and termination of employment--are included to the extent they are deemed attributable to employee service rendered to the valuation date.

The actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits is determined by an independent actuary and is that amount that results from applying actuarial assumptions to adjust the accumulated plan benefits to reflect the time value of money (through discounts for interest) and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as for death, disability, withdrawal, or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment. The effect of Plan amendments on accumulated plan benefits is recognized during the year in which such amendments become effective.

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Note 4. Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits (Continued)

The actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits as of December 31, 2010 and 2009 is as follows:

	2010	2009
Vested benefits:		
Participants currently receiving payments	\$ 31,948,006	\$ 31,124,702
Active participants	106,642,693	101,179,202
Inactive participants with deferred benefits	12,877,510	10,303,585
Total vested benefits	151,468,209	142,607,489
Nonvested benefits	1,802,021	2,307,962
Total actuarial present value of accumulated benefits	<u>\$ 153,270,230</u>	<u>\$ 144,915,451</u>

The changes in actuarial present value of the Plan's accumulated plan benefits for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009 are as follows:

	2010	2009
Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits, beginning of year	<u>\$ 144,915,451</u>	<u>\$ 139,573,828</u>
Increase (decrease) during year attributable to:		
Interest due to decrease in discount period	11,176,720	10,838,546
Benefits accumulated and (gains) losses	7,590,961	1,021,705
Benefit payments	(10,412,902)	(8,184,004)
Change in actuarial assumptions	-	1,665,376
Net increase	<u>8,354,779</u>	<u>5,341,623</u>
Actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits, end of year	<u>\$ 153,270,230</u>	<u>\$ 144,915,451</u>

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Note 4. Actuarial Present Value of Accumulated Plan Benefits (Continued)

The significant actuarial assumptions utilized in the December 31, 2010 and 2009 valuations of the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits were as follows:

Actuarial Cost Method:	Projected Unit Credit Method
Interest Rate:	8% compounded annually.
Mortality Rate:	Revenue Ruling 96-7 Mortality Table for males and females for determining RPA '94 and gateway current liability. 1985 Pension Disability Table with disability mortality rates for males and liability. RP 2000 table for males and females with a 50% blend of blue collar/white collar employees and a ten-year projection for funding.
Normal Retirement Age	Attainment of age 62.

The foregoing actuarial assumptions are based on the presumption that the Plan will continue. If the Plan were to terminate, different actuarial assumptions and other factors might be applicable in determining the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits.

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Note 5. Information Certified by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "Current Trustee") and Wachovia Bank, N.A. (the "Former Trustee")

The following is a summary of the plan's asset information as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and for the year ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedules, that was prepared by or derived from information provided by the current and former trustees and furnished to the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator has obtained certifications from the current and former trustees that information provided to the Plan Administrator by the trustees related to the following assets is complete and accurate. Accordingly, as permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the Plan Administrator instructed the Plan's independent auditors not to perform any auditing procedures with respect to the information which appears throughout the financial statements and supplemental schedules related to the following assets:

	December 31,	
	2010	2009
Investments:		
Cash equivalents	\$ 7,443,636	\$ 2,843,825
Government and agency bonds	33,472,847	-
Corporate bonds	21,456,782	702,691
Corporate stocks - common	37,682,682	38,780,057
Mutual funds - equity	25,255,850	-
Mutual funds - international equity	31,321,219	22,129,620
Common trust fund - equity	20,085,906	36,880,042
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	2,606,394
Other	1,030,556	-
Asset-backed securities	490,917	44,777
Mutual funds - fixed taxable bonds	71,456,847	75,659,706
Outside collective funds	982,215	142,511
Hedge fund - equity/other	12,581,595	9,540,860
	<u>\$ 263,261,052</u>	<u>\$ 189,330,483</u>
Net assets held in 401(h) account	<u>\$ 5,390,136</u>	<u>\$ 4,860,610</u>
Cash	<u>\$ 10,000</u>	<u>\$ 322,991</u>

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. also certified for the year ended December 31, 2010 and Wachovia Bank, N.A., also certified for the year ended December 31, 2009, to the best of their knowledge, to the completeness and accuracy of \$16,375,765 and \$28,429,902 of net appreciation in fair value of investments and \$13,249,402 and \$7,217,964 of interest, dividends and other income related to the aforementioned investments for the years ended December 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

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Note 5. Information Certified by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. (the "Current Trustee") and Wachovia Bank, N.A. (the "Former Trustee") (Continued)

During 2010 and 2009, the Plan's investments (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year) appreciated (depreciated) in value as follows:

	2010	2009
Government and agency bonds	\$ (2,197,961)	\$ -
Corporate bonds	353,947	974,414
Corporate stocks - common	5,713,196	10,910,518
Common trust funds	3,114,095	13,827,500
Mutual funds - fixed	2,848,239	(1,158,068)
Mutual funds - equity	2,758,517	-
Mutual funds - international equity	4,538,411	1,231,954
Collateralized mortgage obligations	142,340	2,270,114
Asset-backed securities	(191,776)	65,664
Mortgage backed pass-throughs	-	25,122
TBA mortgage issues	-	25,190
Outside collective funds	5,415	116,634
Hedge fund - equity/other	(708,658)	140,860
	\$ 16,375,765	\$ 28,429,902

Note 6. Investments

The current value of individual investments that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2010 or 2009 are as follows:

	2010	2009
Paps Long Duration Corporate Bond	\$ 59,059,098	*
Harbor Capital Appreciation Fund	13,350,854	*
PIMCO Long Duration Tot R-IS	*	\$ 66,875,904
Intech Risk-Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund, LLC	*	21,306,452
Fisher Investment Inst Group Foreign Equity Fund	20,085,906	15,573,590
Thornburg International Value Fund R5	18,994,332	13,017,009
JP Morgan Multi Strategy Fund II, Ltd	12,581,595	9,540,860

* Investment did not comprise 5% or more of the Plan's net assets available for benefits as of the date indicated.

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Note 7. Fair Value Measurements

The Plan's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment and may affect the valuation of the fair value of investments and their consideration within the fair value hierarchy levels. The following tables set forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2010 and 2009.

	December 31, 2010			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Cash and money market funds	\$ 7,443,636	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,443,636
Mutual funds:				
High yield bond	71,456,847	-	-	71,456,847
Equity	25,255,850	-	-	25,255,850
Global real estate	12,326,887	-	-	12,326,887
International	18,994,332	-	-	18,994,332
Fixed income:				
Government and agencies	-	33,472,847	-	33,472,847
Corporate bonds	-	21,456,782	-	21,456,782
Asset-backed securities	-	490,917	-	490,917
Equities:				
U.S. companies	37,682,682	-	-	37,682,682
Common trust funds:				
International	-	20,085,906	-	20,085,906
Other types of investments:				-
Hedging instruments	1,030,556	-	-	1,030,556
Multi-strategy hedge fund	-	12,581,595	-	12,581,595
Outside collective funds	-	-	982,215	982,215
	<u>\$ 174,190,790</u>	<u>\$ 88,088,047</u>	<u>\$ 982,215</u>	<u>\$ 263,261,052</u>
Net assets held in 401(h) accounts	\$ 5,390,136	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,390,136

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Note 7. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

	December 31, 2009			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Money market funds	\$ 2,843,825	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,843,825
Mutual funds:				
High yield bond	8,783,802	-	-	8,783,802
Long duration bond	66,875,904	-	-	66,875,904
Global real estate	9,112,611	-	-	9,112,611
International	13,017,009	-	-	13,017,009
Fixed income:				
Corporate bonds nonconvertible	-	702,691	-	702,691
Collateralized mortgage obligations	-	2,606,394	-	2,606,394
Asset-backed securities	-	44,777	-	44,777
Equities:				
U.S. companies	38,780,057	-	-	38,780,057
Common trust funds:				
U.S. large cap	-	21,306,452	-	21,306,452
International	-	15,573,590	-	15,573,590
Other types of investments:				
Multi-strategy hedge fund	-	9,540,860	-	9,540,860
Outside collective funds	142,511	-	-	142,511
	<u>\$ 139,555,719</u>	<u>\$ 49,774,764</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 189,330,483</u>
Net assets held in 401(h) accounts	<u>\$ 4,860,610</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 4,860,610</u>

The changes in the Plan's Level 3 assets measured at fair value are summarized as follows:

	Outside Collective Fund
Balance, beginning of year	\$ -
Net depreciation in fair value of investments	5,415
Purchases, sales, issuances, and settlements, net	976,800
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 982,215</u>

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Note 8. Net Asset Value ("NAV") Per Share

The following tables for December 31, 2010 and 2009, sets forth a summary of the Plan's investments classified as Level 2 or Level 3 with a reported net asset value.

Fair Value Estimated Using Net Asset Value per Share					
December 31, 2010					
Investment	Fair Value*	Unfunded Commitment	Redemption Frequency	Other Redemption Restrictions	Redemption Notice Period
International common trust fund (a)	\$ 20,085,906	\$ -	Daily	None	Daily
Multi-strategy hedge fund (b)	12,581,595	-	Daily	None	Daily
Outside collective funds					
US (c)	678,408	-	Limited	**	Limited
Global (d)	127,067	-	Limited	**	Limited
Direct (e)	176,740	-	Limited	**	Limited
Total	<u>\$ 33,649,716</u>	<u>\$ -</u>			

Fair Value Estimated Using Net Asset Value per Share					
December 31, 2009					
Investment	Fair Value*	Unfunded Commitment	Redemption Frequency	Other Redemption Restrictions	Redemption Notice Period
Common trust funds:					
U.S. large cap (f)	\$ 21,306,452	\$ -	Daily	None	Daily
International (a)	15,573,590	-	Daily	None	Daily
Multi-strategy hedge fund (b)	9,540,860	-	Daily	None	Daily
Total	<u>\$ 46,420,902</u>	<u>\$ -</u>			

* The fair value of the investment has been estimated using the net asset value of the investment.

** Investors will have only very limited withdrawal rights for specific legal or regulatory reasons, and any transfer of an interest will be subject to approval.

(a) The Fund seeks to outperform the MSCI EAFE Index on average by 2-7% per annum over a full market cycle by investing in securities of issuers domiciled outside the United States.

(b) The Fund seeks to generate capital appreciation over the long term through a portfolio having a diversified risk profile with relatively low volatility and a low correlation with traditional equity and fixed income markets.

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Note 8. Net Asset Value (“NAV”) Per Share (Continued)

- (c) The Fund seeks global and regional strategies. Over a three to four-year period, the US strategy typically invests in 60-75 total funds that invest a substantial portion of their assets in North American companies.
- (d) The Fund’s strategy allocates capital to private equity investments that invest a substantial portion of their assets in companies primarily located in Western Europe with a primary focus on buyout and growth equity.
- (e) The Fund’s strategy is to leverage relationships with venture, growth, and equity, and buyout general partners around the globe to generate differentiated deal flow.
- (f) The Fund seeks to outperform the Russell 1000 Growth Index when evaluated over rolling three and five year periods by investing primarily in certain common stocks of companies selected from the universe of the Index, using proprietary mathematical investment processes and optimization technology.

Note 9. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan, in certain circumstances, to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. In the event that the Plan is terminated, the net assets of the Plan will be allocated for payment of Plan benefits to the participants in an order of priority determined in accordance with ERISA, applicable regulations thereunder, and the Plan document.

Certain benefits under the Plan are insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (“PBGC”) if the Plan terminates. Generally, the PBGC guarantees most vested normal-age retirement benefits, early retirement benefits, and certain disability and survivor’s pensions. However, the PBGC does not guarantee all types of benefits under the Plan, and the amount of benefit protection is subject to certain limitations. Vested benefits under the Plan are guaranteed at the level in effect on the date of the Plan’s termination, subject to a statutory ceiling on the amount of an individual’s monthly benefit.

Whether all participants receive their benefits, should the Plan be terminated at some future time, will depend on the sufficiency, at that time, of the Plan’s net assets to provide those benefits, the priority of those benefits to be paid and the level and type of benefits guaranteed by the PBGC. Some benefits may be fully or partially provided for by the then existing assets and the PBGC guaranty, while other benefits may not be provided for at all.

Note 10. Federal Income Tax Status

The Internal Revenue Service has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated December 10, 2009, that the Plan and related trust were designed in accordance with the applicable regulations of the Internal Revenue Code. The Company and the Plan Administrator believe that the Plan is currently designed and operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code and that the Plan and related trust continue to be tax-exempt. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan’s financial statements.

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Note 11. Exempt Party-in-Interest Transactions

Certain plan investments are shares of a money market fund and units of participation in common trust funds managed by Wells Fargo. Wells Fargo is the trustee as defined by the Plan, and therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. Fees paid by the Plan for trustee and investment management services were \$91,923 and \$44,764 for 2010 and 2009, respectively.

Note 12. Restatement of Certain Prior Year Balances

The Plan has determined that certain prior year contributions were incorrectly recognized as contributions in the year received instead of the year for which the contributions were made as determined by the Plan's actuary. The impact on the previously reported balances for 2009 was to increase employer contributions receivable and the opening balance of the net assets available for benefits by \$22 million. This error had no effect on the net increase as reported in the statement of changes in net assets available for plan benefits for the 2009 fiscal year or on the computation of the actuarial present value of accumulated plan benefits.

Note 13. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500 as of December 31, 2010 and 2009:

	December 31	
	2010	2009
Net assets available for benefits as presented in these financial statements, as restated for 2009	\$ 251,322,431	\$ 211,235,228
Contribution error correction	-	(22,000,000)
Net assets held in 401(h) account included as assets in Form 5500	5,390,136	4,860,610
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 256,712,567</u>	<u>\$ 194,095,838</u>

The net assets of the 401(h) account included in Form 5500 are not available to pay pension benefits but can only be used to pay retiree health benefits.

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Note 13. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500 (Continued)

The following is a reconciliation of the changes in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2010:

	Amounts Per Financial Statements	401(h) Account	Additional Contribution	Amounts per Form 5500
Appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 16,375,765	\$ 461,672	\$ -	\$ 16,837,437
Interest	5,110,405	221	-	5,110,626
Dividends and other	8,138,997	163,134	-	8,302,131
Employer contributions	22,000,000	531,000	22,000,000	44,531,000
Premium expense	-	(157,481)	-	(157,481)
Transfer to other plans	-	(469,020)	-	(469,020)

The following is a reconciliation of the changes in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2009:

	Amounts Per Financial Statements	401(h) Account	Additional Contribution	Amounts per Form 5500
Appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 28,429,902	\$ 882,337	\$ -	\$ 29,312,239
Interest	1,100,697	680	-	1,101,377
Dividends and other	6,117,267	67,362	-	6,184,629
Employer contributions	22,000,000	555,000	-	22,555,000
Premium expense	-	(81,760)	-	(81,760)
Transfer to other plans	-	(637,461)	-	(637,461)

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Identity of issuer, borrower, lessor, or similar party	Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current value
Cash		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Cash Equivalents:			
US Treasury Bills			
US Treasury Bill			
DTD 12/09/10 06/09/2011	300,000 units	299,727	299,727
Repurchase Agreements			
CS Repo DTD 12/31/10			
.23% due 1/3/11	2,100,000 units	2,100,000	2,100,000
Short Term Funds:			
Wells Fargo Advantage Cash Investment Fund			
Institutional Class - #451*	5,090,593 units	5,090,605	5,090,605
		<u>7,500,332</u>	<u>7,500,332</u>
Fixed Income:			
Government and Agencies			
US Treasury Bonds & NTS			
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 07/30/04 2.375 01/05/2025	200,000 units	270,744	259,314
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 04/15/99 8.975 04/15/2029	100,000 units	187,265	178,933
US Treasury Bond			
DTD 08/15/07 0.000 05/15/2037	4,200,000 units	1,222,230	1,231,986
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 01/31/07 2.375 01/15/2027	300,000 units	363,896	362,965
US Treasury Inflation Index			
DTD 01/30/09 2.500 01/15/2029	350,000 units	420,670	406,382
		<u>2,464,805</u>	<u>2,439,580</u>

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Govt Strip & Zero CPN			
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	560,000 units	\$ 2,575,878	\$ 2,314,872
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	400,000 units	146,900	163,284
RFCP Strip Principal Zero CPN DTD 01/30/91 01/15/2030	2,800,000 units	2,091,415	1,956,724
Tenn Val Auth CPN Strip Zero CPN DTD 01/15/98 07/15/2020	1,000,000 units	331,380	360,270
US Treasury Sec stripped Zero CPN DTD 08/17/09 08/15/2039	15,200,000 units	4,145,987	4,085,912
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 08/15/07 11/15/2034	3,500,000 units	1,209,649	1,155,980
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/15/08 12/15/2038	18,000,000 units	5,374,113	5,247,000
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 05/15/09 05/15/2039	4,000,000 units	1,106,760	1,087,640
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/15/08 8/15/2037	2,400,000 units	707,352	695,856
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 02/17/09 08/15/2038	3,800,000 units	1,156,606	1,047,736
US Treasury Sec stripped DTD 11/16/09 11/15/2039	41,500,000 units	10,750,068	11,015,760
		<u>29,596,108</u>	<u>29,131,034</u>
Agency Bonds			
Fed Natl Mtg Assn DTD 11/03/00 6.625 11/15/2030	1,200,000 units	1,592,040	1,514,124
Tenn Valley Auth DTD 04/01/06 5.375 04/01/2056	100,000 units	104,467	107,504
Tenn Valley Auth DTD 09/25/10 4.625 09/15/2060	300,000 units	296,079	280,605
		<u>1,992,586</u>	<u>1,902,233</u>

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Bond Funds			
Mutual Bond Funds			
Harbor High-Yield Bond Institutional Bond Fund #2024	1,162,060 shares	\$ 12,203,655	\$ 12,666,453
Paps Long Duration Corporate Bond #1830	5,529,878 shares	58,027,470	59,059,098
Dodge & Cox Income Fund	118,918 shares	1,514,750	1,573,282
American Century Inflation Adjustment Bond	44,254 shares	486,438	520,871
		<u>72,232,313</u>	<u>73,819,704</u>
Corporate Bonds and Notes			
Strip and Zero CPN BD and Resolution FDG Corp Zero CPN DTD 10/15/90 10/15/2020	6,400,000 units	4,758,493	4,408,768
Private Placements			
AT&T Inc 144A Priv Plcmnt 5.350 09/01/2040	1,572,000 units	1,504,358	1,478,419
Cox Communications Inc 144A Priv Plcmnt 8.375 03/01/2039	250,000 units	312,303	323,977
CVS Pass Through Trust 144A Priv Plcmnt 7.507 10/01/2032	590,557 units	644,596	671,015
		<u>2,461,257</u>	<u>2,473,411</u>
Asset-Backed Securities			
Deutsche Alt -A Securities Nim 144A Priv Plcmnt 6.500 02/25/2047	15,816 units	316	-
NCUA Guaranteed Notes DTD 11/17/10 11/06/2017	491,069 units	491,070	490,917
		<u>491,386</u>	<u>490,917</u>

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Financials			
Bank of America NA			
DTD 05/02/08 5.650 05/01/2018	800,000 units	\$ 810,064	\$ 817,416
Capital One Bank USA NA			
DTD 06/25/09 8.800 07/15/2019	400,000 units	485,076	492,016
Citigroup Inc			
DTD 05/29/07 5.875 05/29/2037	900,000 units	860,445	880,461
Citigroup Inc			
DTD 07/23/09 8.125 07/15/2039	500,000 units	555,700	636,070
General Elec Cap Corp			
DTD 01/14/08 5.875 01/14/2038	1,500,000 units	1,419,275	1,557,075
Goldman Sachs Group Inc			
DTD 10/03/07 6.750 10/01/2037	900,000 units	885,933	920,160
HSBC Holdings PLC			
DTD 09/12/2007 6.500 09/15/2037	500,000 units	529,765	523,620
JP Morgan Chase & Co			
DTD 5/22/08 6.400 05/15/2038	800,000 units	877,880	907,352
Morgan St Dean Witter			
DTD 04/03/02 7.250 04/01/2032	200,000 units	217,288	228,978
Prudential Financial Inc			
DTD 11/18/10 6.200 11/15/2040	500,000 units	497,040	528,925
Wachovia Bank NA*			
DTD 12/07/07 6.600 01/15/2038	1,500,000 units	1,542,075	1,651,605
		<u>8,680,541</u>	<u>9,143,678</u>

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Industrials			
American Express			
DTD 03/19/08 8.150 03/19/2038	300,000 units	\$ 391,032	\$ 406,347
AT&T Corp			
DTD 05/15/02 8.000 11/15/2031	17,000 units	20,879	21,367
Burlington North Santa Fe			
DTD 05/17/10 5.570 05/01/2040	400,000 units	405,588	413,848
Comcast Corp			
DTD 03/14/03 7.050 03/15/2033	900,000 units	989,105	1,028,151
Pacific Gas & Electric			
DTD 11/18/09 5.400 01/15/2040	800,000 units	779,992	808,088
Pfizer Inc			
DTD 03/24/09 7.200 03/15/2039	300,000 units	372,372	388,212
Time Warner Inc.			
DTD 07/14/10 6.100 07/15/2040	500,000 units	499,655	524,645
Verizon Communications			
DTD 11/04/08 8.950 03/01/2039	900,000 units	1,237,086	1,282,581
Wal-Mart Stores Inc			
DTD 04/15/08 6.200 04/15/2038	400,000 units	444,436	455,368
		<u>5,140,145</u>	<u>5,328,607</u>
Other Global Corp Bonds			
Telefonica Emisiones SAU			
DTD 06/20/06 7.045 06/20/2036	100,000 units	107,840	102,318

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Other Assets			
Contracts and Swaps			
Call Options			
Call Wr. Opt on EDU1 Future Contract			
Strike 99.375 exp 09/19/2011	(28) shares	\$ (13,106)	\$ (16,450)
Put Options			
Put Wr. Opt on EDU1 Future Contract			
Strike 99.375 exp 09/19/2011	(28) shares	(17,918)	(11,550)
Future Contracts			
EDM2 EURO\$ (90-Day) future June 2012	25 units	-	-
Swaps			
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/16/2010 MATD 06/16/2011	-45,000,000 par	-	-
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/15/2011 MATD 06/15/2012	-20,000,000 par	-	-
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/16/2010 MATD 06/16/2011	45,000,000 par	997,650	547,502
Interest Rate swap w/Boa			
USD R 3ML Pay 3.0% Reset: Q			
EFFDT 06/15/2011 MATD 06/15/2012	20,000,000 par	301,000	463,570
Put Options			
Put Write Option on Inflation Index			
USD CPURNSA 216.687			
OPT EXP 04/07/20 PMT at Maturity	(1,800,000)	(16,200)	(17,938)
Undefined Sector			
CDX Index Swap IG15 5Y w/Boa SWPC201J3			
PMT Frequency Q Receive 1.00			
EFFDT 09/20/10 Due 09/20/2015	(3,700,000)	(15,343)	25,751
CDX Index Swap IG15 5Y w/Boa SWPC201J9			
PMT Frequency Q Receive 1.00			
EFFDT 09/20/10 Due 09/20/2015	(5,700,000)	(23,514)	39,671
		<u>1,212,569</u>	<u>1,030,556</u>

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Common Stocks:			
Amedisys Inc	6,100 shares	\$ 355,937	\$ 204,350
Acacia Research Corp - Acacia Tech	16,300 shares	255,249	422,822
Actuant Corp-CI A	16,000 shares	353,009	425,920
Aegon N.V. ADR	11,698 shares	125,964	71,709
Alterra Capital Holdings Ltd.	14,300 shares	279,660	309,452
American Equity Invst Life Hldg Co Com	23,900 shares	248,077	299,945
Amgen Inc	5,900 shares	291,260	323,910
Andersons Inc Com	9,000 shares	271,598	327,150
Aol Inc	1,996 shares	50,148	47,325
Atlas Air Worldwide Hldgs Inc Com New	6,900 shares	222,085	385,227
AXT Inc	7,800 shares	72,351	81,432
Baker Hughes Inc Com	4,300 shares	171,711	245,831
Bank New York Mellon Corp Com	9,500 shares	264,520	286,900
BB&T Corp Com	3,800 shares	73,376	99,902
Biomed Rlty Tr Inc	17,800 shares	232,604	331,970
BMC Software Inc	1,800 shares	33,258	84,852
Boise Inc	44,000 shares	278,455	348,920
Boston Scientific Corp Com	20,300 shares	201,161	153,671
Brandywine rly Tr Bd	19,600 shares	224,458	228,340
Bristow Group Inc	8,300 shares	276,417	393,005
Cadence Design Systems Inc	5,400 shares	47,914	44,604
Capital One Financial Corp	8,400 shares	348,746	357,504
Capstead Mortgage Corp	20,400 shares	267,117	256,836
Cardtronics Inc	15,000 shares	215,208	265,500
Carefusion Corp	2,500 shares	74,256	64,250
Carmax Inc	1,800 shares	27,335	57,384
Carter Holdings	13,700 shares	343,070	404,287
Cash America International Inc	10,100 shares	291,049	372,993
Cemex S.A.B DE C.C. ADR	3,592 shares	58,852	38,470
Chemed Corp New Com	6,300 shares	354,274	400,113
Chevron Corp	2,607 shares	143,943	237,889
Cinemark Holdings Inc	17,100 shares	233,304	294,804
City Hldg Co	7,200 shares	225,900	260,856
Cleco Corp New	12,400 shares	298,536	381,424
Coinstar Inc Com	6,300 shares	323,663	355,572
Columbia Banking System Inc	15,500 shares	326,066	326,430

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Comcast Corp Class A	19,849 shares	\$ 380,767	\$ 436,083
Computer Sciences Corp	2,500 shares	109,873	124,000
Compuware Corp Com	6,600 shares	50,114	77,022
Comtech Telecommunications Corp	9,000 shares	298,870	249,818
Corinthian Colleges Inc	13,000 shares	156,748	67,730
Covidien PLC	1,375 shares	52,088	62,783
Credit Suisse Group - ADR	1,100 shares	51,232	44,451
Curtiss Wright Corp Com	7,500 shares	231,910	249,000
Diageo PLC - ADR	700 shares	47,746	52,031
Dish Network Corp	2,400 shares	57,361	47,184
Dow Chemicals Co	7,500 shares	248,706	256,050
Dun & Bradstreet Corp Del New	400 shares	27,581	32,836
Ebay Inc	8,500 shares	218,936	236,555
Electronic Arts Inc	7,200 shares	130,758	117,936
Enersys Com	13,800 shares	323,418	443,256
Ericsson LM Telephone Company - ADR	6,500 shares	62,663	74,945
Euronet Worldwide Inc	13,800 shares	262,643	240,672
Fedex corporation	3,400 shares	248,884	316,234
First Cash Financial Services, Inc	8,700 shares	157,970	269,613
Force Protection Inc	42,100 shares	224,096	231,971
FTI Consulting Inc Com	3,300 shares	114,148	123,024
General Electric Co	22,500 shares	505,829	411,525
Genworth Finl Inc	4,000 shares	59,869	52,560
Gilead sciences Inc	14,600 shares	31,156	32,616
GlaxoSmithKline PLC - ADR	7,000 shares	322,713	274,540
Global Cash Access Hldg Inc	11,880 shares	99,782	37,897
GMX resources Inc	17,600 shares	200,666	97,152
Goldman Sachs Group Inc	400 shares	58,519	67,264
Hawaiian Holdings Inc	39,600 shares	293,463	310,464
Health Mgmt Assoc Inc New CL A	40,100 shares	224,148	382,554
Healthspring Inc	14,600 shares	241,820	387,338
Hewlett Packard Co	12,421 shares	353,447	522,924
Holly Corp	9,300 shares	192,682	379,161
Home Depot Inc	5,500 shares	155,875	192,830
Horace Mann Educators Corp New	16,900 shares	199,205	304,876
Horsehead Holdings Inc	23,000 shares	257,319	299,920
HSBC - ADR	1,185 shares	79,912	60,482

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Iberiabank Corp	6,100 shares	\$ 273,889	\$ 360,693
Innphos Holdings Inc	4,750 shares	166,606	171,380
Interpublic Group Cos Inc	6,200 shares	63,835	65,844
Jos A Bank Clothiers Inc	5,650 shares	143,690	227,808
Kirklands Inc	14,100 shares	171,678	197,823
Lasalle Hotel Properties Com	14,700 shares	282,537	388,080
Legg Mason Inc Com	1,700 shares	142,033	61,659
Liberty Global Inc	400 shares	15,054	14,152
Liberty Global Inc Com Ser C	400 shares	14,218	13,556
Liberty Media-Interactive A	7,725 shares	77,995	121,823
Loews Corp	1,200 shares	24,418	46,692
LSB Inds Inc	13,140 shares	231,938	318,776
Maxin Integrated Prods Inc	6,700 shares	86,215	158,254
McGraw-Hill Companies Inc	1,700 shares	61,585	61,897
Medicis Pharmaceutical corp CL A New	9,400 shares	256,887	251,826
Medtronic Inc	2,000 shares	73,889	74,180
Merck & Co Inc New	11,000 shares	290,743	396,440
Mgic Invst corp WI	32,600 shares	306,101	332,194
Molex Inc CL A	3,100 shares	74,899	58,497
Motorola Inc	34,000 shares	473,817	308,380
Multi-Fineline electronix Inc Com	7,00 shares	186,383	190,728
Net 1 UEPS Technologies Inc	17,100 shares	231,081	209,646
Newpark Res Inc Com	43,200 shares	317,515	266,112
News Corp CL A	21,200 shares	288,882	308,672
Nokia Corporation - ADR	6,400 shares	69,569	66,048
Novartis AG- ADR	5,000 shares	271,780	294,750
Occidental Pete Corp	3,200 shares	116,382	313,920
Ocwen Finl Corp New	33,500 shares	350,037	319,590
Officemax Inc Delcom	10,800 shares	196,454	191,160
Old Dominion Freight Lines Inc	13,150 shares	313,192	420,669
Omega Healthcare Invs Inc Com	14,700 shares	250,551	329,868
Orbitals sciences Corp	17,700 shares	292,888	303,201
Panasonic Corporation	7,000 shares	107,789	98,700
Pantry Inc	15,900 shares	331,459	315,774
Pfizer Inc	18,600 shares	354,206	325,686
Pitney Bowes Inc	3,000 shares	111,418	72,540
Plantronics Inc Com	9,100 shares	299,723	338,702

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Polypore International Inc	5,200 shares	\$ 169,127	\$ 211,796
Power-One Inc	24,900 shares	255,594	253,980
PS Business Parks Inc/Ca	5,200 shares	248,283	289,744
Questcor Pharmaceuticals Inc	26,000 shares	162,815	382,980
Quiksilver Inc Com	52,000 shares	233,592	263,640
Rent-a-Center Inc	8,900 shares	269,007	287,292
RF Micro Devices Inc Com	46,700 shares	242,336	343,245
Royal Dutch Shell Plc	700 shares	32,919	46,746
Royal Gold Inc	3,700 shares	155,844	202,131
Sanofi - Aventis - ADR	6,800 shares	266,972	219,164
Schulman A Inc	14,300 shares	295,592	327,327
Schulmberger LTD	4,700 shares	236,209	392,450
Schwab Charles Corp New	9,000 shares	147,033	153,990
Schweitzer - Maudit Intl Inc Com	4,735 shares	221,326	297,926
Shuffle Master Inc Com	28,600 shares	265,197	327,470
Shutterfly Inc	10,600 shares	201,491	369,834
Silicon Image Inc	5,700 shares	41,195	41,895
SLM Corp	6,400 shares	153,472	80,576
Solutia Inc/New	14,300 shares	175,061	330,044
Sony Corporation - ADR	4,200 shares	144,826	149,982
Southwest Gas Corp	8,300 shares	222,070	304,361
Sprint Nextel Corp	37,500 shares	369,840	158,625
Standard Microsystems Corp	11,800 shares	251,566	340,194
Sterling Bancshares Inc Com	50,800 shares	316,037	356,616
Suntrust Banks Inc	1,900 shares	40,838	56,069
SVB Finl Group	7,800 shares	284,581	413,790
SXC Healthcare Solutions Corp	8,500 shares	145,812	364,310
Symantec Corp	11,000 shares	165,404	184,140
Synopsys Inc Com	3,500 shares	78,875	94,185
Telecommunications Sys Inc CL A	32,200 shares	226,201	150,374
Tennant Co	8,800 shares	303,898	338,008
Time Warner Cable Inc	3,050 shares	115,606	201,392
Time Warner Inc	9,766 shares	304,042	314,172
Tower Group Inc	13,600 shares	332,868	348,160
Travelers Companies, Inc	1,700 shares	76,756	94,707
True Religion Apparel Inc	12,500 shares	273,342	278,250
Tyco Electronics LTD F	3,575 shares	112,398	126,555
Tyco Electronics LTD F	2,275 shares	94,344	94,276
Unisource Energy Corp Com	10,200 shares	338,497	365,568

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US Bancorp Del New	2,700 shares	\$ 59,047	\$ 72,819
Usec Inc	22,500 shares	132,124	135,450
Valassis Communications Inc Com	10,100 shares	342,012	326,735
Valueclick Inc	24,600 shares	294,978	394,338
Venoco Inc	17,300 shares	223,391	319,185
Vodafone Group PLC New	7,300 shares	141,980	193,012
Vulcan Matls Co	1,800 shares	87,674	79,848
Walgreen Co	3,900 shares	128,604	151,944
Wal-Mart Stores Inc	2,400 shares	115,745	129,432
Wells Fargo & Co*	14,133 shares	704,451	437,981
Wintrust Finl Corp	12,000 shares	434,275	396,360
World Accept Corp Del	6,500 shares	262,512	343,200
Xerox Inc	17,900 shares	158,466	206,208
ZHongpin Inc	9,100 shares	184,781	185,640
		<u>33,155,690</u>	<u>37,682,682</u>
Equity Funds:			
Collective Equity Funds			
Fisher Investments Foreign Equity Fund	19,542,491 units	19,542,492	20,085,906
JP Morgan Mult- Strategy fund II LTD	9,400 shares	11,800,000	12,581,595
		<u>31,342,492</u>	<u>32,667,501</u>
Mutual Funds			
Harbor Capital Appreciation Fund Class	363,585 units	12,661,624	13,650,032
Prudential Global Real Estate Fund Class Z	646,063 units	10,532,119	12,612,142
Thornburg International Value Fund	16243 units	16,340,264	19,458,889
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	103,513 units	10,937,671	12,438,463
American Funds Europacific Growth	11,106 shares	464,088	459,446
Dodge & Cox Stock Fund #145	2,763 shares	295,112	297,751
T Rowe Price New Horizons Fund	9,694 shares	253,641	324,641
Wells Fargo Advance Special Small Cap Value Fund*	14,502 shares	263,565	316,288
		<u>51,748,084</u>	<u>59,557,652</u>
Options and Futures:			
Other Limited Partnerships:			
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010 US Fund LP	636,000 shares	636,000	678,408
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010 Direct Fund LP	196,800 shares	196,800	176,740
Adams Street Partnership Fund 2010			
Non-US Developed Market Fund LP	144,000 shares	144,000	127,067
		<u>976,800</u>	<u>982,215</u>
		<u>\$ 253,861,441</u>	<u>\$ 268,661,188</u>

The above information has been certified by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the trustee, as "complete and accurate".

*Represents a party-in-interest.

Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
Series of Transactions in the Same Security						
US Treasury	US Treasury 4.5% 8/17/09 to 8/15/39					
	1 Purchase	\$ 16,564,313	\$ -	\$ 16,564,313	\$ 16,564,313	\$ -
	2 Sales	-	16,655,438	16,564,313	16,655,438	91,125
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 2/15/08 to 2/15/38					
	2 Purchases	17,975,065	-	17,975,065	17,975,065	-
	1 Sale	-	14,947,018	14,239,317	14,947,018	707,701
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/16/09 to 11/15/39					
	3 Purchases	57,869,870	-	57,869,870	57,869,870	-
	4 Sales	-	53,145,257	54,819,351	53,145,257	(1,674,094)

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Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
Series of Transactions in the Same Security (Continued)						
Wells Fargo	Wells Fargo Advantage Cash Investment Fund					
	Purchase	\$ 306,881,569	\$ -	\$ 306,881,569	\$ 306,881,569	\$ -
	Sale	-	301,790,977	301,790,977	301,790,977	-
Evergreen	Evergreen Prime Cash Fund					
	Purchase	174,839,392	-	174,839,392	174,839,392	-
	Sale	-	174,612,092	174,612,092	174,612,092	-
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD					
	2 Purchases	56,500,000	-	56,500,000	56,500,000	-
	3 Sales	-	3,899,999	3,938,075	3,899,999	(38,076)
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Tot R-IS					
	2 Purchases	226,288	-	226,288	226,288	-
	2 Sales	-	68,613,094	67,102,191	68,613,094	1,510,903
Vanguard	Vanguard Institutional Index					
	2 Purchases	10,347,195	-	10,347,195	10,347,195	-
	1 sale	-	550,400	501,736	550,400	48,664
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund					
	0 Purchases	-	-	-	-	-
	5 Sales	-	22,078,195	21,306,452	22,078,195	771,743

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Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
Single Transactions						
Barclays	Barclays Repo DTD .22 Due 11/15/10	\$ 9,900,000	\$ -	\$ 9,900,000	\$ 9,900,000	\$ -
Barclays	Barcalys Repo DTD .22 Due 11/15/10	-	9,900,000	9,900,000	9,900,000	-
Harbor	Harbor Capital Appreciation Fund	12,632,961	-	12,632,961	12,632,961	-
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped Zero Coupon 8/15/2039	11,477,248	-	11,477,248	11,477,248	-
US Treasury	US Treasury 4.5% from 8/17/09 to 8/15/2039	-	16,159,500	16,068,375	16,159,500	91,125
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/15/2039	44,465,030	-	44,065,030	44,065,030	-
US Treasury	US Treasury BD Stripped 11/15/2039	9,788,000	-	9,788,000	9,788,000	-
US Treasury	US Treasury 08/15/2039	16,564,313	-	16,564,313	16,564,313	-
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 2/15/08 to 2/15/38	-	14,947,018	14,239,317	14,947,018	707,701
US Treasury	US Treasury SEC Stripped 11/16/09 to 11/15/2039	-	48,297,732	49,974,664	48,297,732	(1,676,932)

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Retirement Plan of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Schedule H, Part IV, Line 4j - Schedule of Reportable Transactions (Continued)
For the Year Ended December 31, 2010

Identity of Party Involved	Description of Asset	Purchase Price	Selling Price	Cost of Asset	Current Value of Asset	Net Gain (Loss)
<i>Single Transactions (Continued)</i>						
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD	\$ 37,000,000	\$ -	\$ 37,000,000	\$ 37,000,000	\$ -
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Corp BD	19,500,000	-	19,500,000	19,500,000	-
Pimco	Pimco Long Duration Tot R-IS	-	68,387,237	66,875,917	68,387,237	1,511,320
Vanguard	Vanguard Institutional Index	10,300,000	-	10,300,000	10,300,000	-
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund	-	9,700,000	9,505,225	9,700,000	194,775
Intech	Intech Risk Managed Broad Large Cap Growth Fund	-	12,354,795	11,777,725	12,354,795	577,070

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). <p style="text-align: center;">▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</p>	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">2010</div> This Form Is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2010 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2010</u> and ending <u>12/31/2010</u>	
A This return/report is for:	☐ a multiemployer plan; ☐ a multiple-employer plan; or ☒ 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:	☒ Form 5558; ☐ automatic extension; ☐ the DFVC program; ☐ special extension (enter description)

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information						
1a Name of plan <u>RETIREMENT PLAN OF PIEDMONT</u> <u>NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.</u>	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:80%;">1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width:20%; text-align: center;">001</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">1c Effective date of plan 05/01/1951</td> </tr> </table>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001	1c Effective date of plan 05/01/1951			
1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001						
1c Effective date of plan 05/01/1951							
2a Plan sponsor's name and address (employer, if for a single-employer plan) (Address should include room or suite no.) <u>PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.</u> <u>4720 PIEDMONT ROW DRIVE</u> <u>CHARLOTTE</u> <u>NC</u> <u>28210</u>	<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2">2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-0556998</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">2c Sponsor's telephone number (704) 364-3120</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">2d Business code (see instructions) 221210</td> </tr> </table>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-0556998		2c Sponsor's telephone number (704) 364-3120		2d Business code (see instructions) 221210	
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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		10-13-11	RENEE H. METZLER
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE		10-14-11	KEVIN O'HARA
	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

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3a Plan administrator's name and address (if same as plan sponsor, enter "Same") SAME	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 30px; width: 100%;"></div>
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 2,369
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 1,618
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b 283
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits.....	6c 309
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a , 6b , and 6c	6d 2,210
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.....	6e 90
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f 2,300
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item).....	6g
h Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6h 7
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:

1A 1E 1G 3H

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) ☒ 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) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
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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) ☒ 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) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)
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