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), 6057(b), and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

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

OMB Nos. 1210-0110
1210-0089

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2011 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2011 and ending 12/31/2011

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

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

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

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

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC. 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

1c Effective date of plan 10/01/2004

2a Plan sponsor's name and address, including room or suite number (Employer, if for single-employer plan)

GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC.

1405 14TH ST
FORT LUPTON, CO 80621-2718

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 76-0589072

2c Sponsor's telephone number 303-654-8338

2d Business code (see instructions) 331310

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.	09/27/2012	JERRY REED
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address (if same as plan sponsor, enter "Same")
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC.

1405 14TH ST
FORT LUPTON, CO 80621-2718

3b Administrator's EIN
76-0589072

3c Administrator's telephone number
303-654-8338

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**	190
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**	155
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	49
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a**, **6b**, and **6c**	**6d**	204
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**	**6f**	204
g	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	153
h	Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	1
7	Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	**7**	

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristic Codes in the instructions:
2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3D 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)	X	Trust
(4)		General assets of the sponsor

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500)	Service Provider Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**	**2011** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection.**

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A Name of plan
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC. 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
76-0589072

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

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

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

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

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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)

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(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?
12 15 18 19 50 60 63	NONE	18269	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [ ] No [X]	2787	Yes [ ] No [X]

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

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

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

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

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)

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

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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

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
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(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.
FEDRATED INVESTORS FUNDS SCOTT CHARLTON 1001 LIBERTY AVENUE PITTSBURG, PA 15222	12B-1 FEES.

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

(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	**(e)** Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.

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

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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

(complete as many entries as needed)

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

Explanation:

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

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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

DFE/Participating Plan Information

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B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
76-0589072

Part I Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: WELLS FARGO BANK, N4

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): WELLS FARGO BANK, N.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)
52-2251296-001	C	0

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

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

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

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

a Plan name	
b Name of plan sponsor	**c** EIN-PN
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

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Financial Information

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GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
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Part I Asset and Liability Statement

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	109753	1282115
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	239573	332726
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	1608403	0
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	2946870	3466640
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d Employer-related investments:			
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	4904599	5081481
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	4904599	5081481

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)	173339	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	481246	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	314	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		654899
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	181	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	11079	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		11260
(2) Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		0
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
2b (5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		0
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		18961
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		-11801
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		673319
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	478168	
(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)		478168
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	18269	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		18269
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		496437
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		176882
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: MCGLADREY 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.)	**4a**		X	
b	Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	**4b**		X	
c	Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	**4c**		X	
d	Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	**4d**		X	
e	Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	**4e**	X		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?	**4f**		X	
g	Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	**4g**		X	
h	Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	**4h**		X	
i	Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	**4i**	X		
j	Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	**4j**		X	
k	Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	**4k**		X	
l	Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	**4l**		X	
m	If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	**4m**		X	
n	If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	**4n**			

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

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Retirement Plan Information

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

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

OMB No. 1210-0110

2011

This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2011 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2011 and ending 12/31/2011

A Name of plan
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC. 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
76-0589072

Part I Distributions

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

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

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

EIN(s): 58-1428634

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

6 **a** Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) **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 or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ..... ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐ **N/A**

Part III Amendments

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan

Financial Report
December 31, 2011

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Plan Administrator
Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan
Fort Lupton, Colorado

We were engaged to audit the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan) as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2011, and the supplemental Schedule H – Part IV, Line 4i – schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2011. These financial statements and supplemental schedule 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 3, which was certified or provided by Reliance Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing the information with the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule. We have been informed by the Plan Administrator that the trustee holds the Plan's assets and executes transactions. The Plan Administrator has obtained certifications from the trustee regarding the completeness and accuracy of the information summarized in Note 3 that was provided to the Plan Administrator by the trustee as of and for the year ended December 31, 2011, and as of December 31, 2010.

Because of the significance of the information that we did not audit, we are unable to, and do not, express an opinion on the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule taken as a whole. The supplemental schedule are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. The form and content of the information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule, other than that derived from the information certified or provided by the trustee, 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.

McGladrey LLP

Denver, Colorado
September 14, 2012

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Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2011 and 2010

	2011	2010
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value:		
Common collective trust	**$ -**	$ 1,643,560
Money market funds	**1,282,115**	109,753
Mutual funds	**3,466,640**	2,946,870
Total investments	**4,748,755**	4,700,183
Notes receivable from participants	**332,726**	239,573
Total assets	**5,081,481**	4,939,756
LIABILITIES	**-**	-
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, AT FAIR VALUE	**5,081,481**	4,939,756
Adjustment from fair value to contract value for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts	**-**	(35,157)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	**$ 5,081,481**	$ 4,904,599

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits
Year Ended December 31, 2011

Additions (deductions) to net assets attributable to:		
Investment income (loss):		
Net depreciation in fair value of investments	$	(88,633)
Interest and dividends		95,974
		7,341
Interest income on notes receivable from participants		11,079
Contributions:		
Participant		481,246
Employer		173,339
Rollover		314
		654,899
Total additions		673,319
Deductions from net assets attributable to:		
Benefits paid to participants		478,168
Administrative expenses		18,269
Total deductions		496,437
Net increase		176,882
Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year		4,904,599
End of year	$	5,081,481

See Notes to Financial Statements.

Note 1. Plan Description

The following description of the Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan) is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the plan document for a complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General and eligibility: The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering substantially all regular full-time employees of Golden Aluminum, Inc. (the Company). Employees who are not considered excluded employees become eligible to participate in the Plan to make pre-tax contributions and receive discretionary matching employer contributions once they satisfy the Plan's service requirement and reach their entry date. Employees will have met the service requirement when they complete one month of service. Effective August 27, 2011, employees are automatically enrolled as participants in the plan with an automatical deferral percentage of 3%, which is deposited into a money market fund. Employee's entry date is the first day of the month coinciding with or following the date they satisfy the Plan's eligibility requirements. Excluded employees are considered employees whose employment is governed by a collective bargaining agreement, are leased employees or are employees who were previously not treated as employees of the Company but who are reclassified as being employees. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Participant accounts: Individual accounts are maintained for each Plan participant. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and an allocation of (a) the Company's contributions and (b) Plan earnings and is charged with an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined in the Plan. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. Participants may select from various investment funds in which their accounts may be invested.

Funding policy: Each year, participants may contribute a maximum of 75% of their annual salary in the form of a salary reduction not to exceed limits set by the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan allows the Company to make discretionary matching and profit-sharing contributions. Until July 2011, the Company matched 50% of the participant's salary deferral up to the first 5% of salary deferred (i.e., a maximum matching contribution equal to 2.5% of the participant's eligible wages). In July 2011, the Company changed their match to 100% of the participant's salary deferral up to the first 3% of salary deferred. There were no discretionary profit-sharing contributions for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Vesting: Participants are immediately vested in their elective salary deferral contributions plus earnings thereon. Prior to August 27, 2011, employer contributions vested at a rate of 20% per year after one year of service with full vesting after five years of credited service. On or after August 27, 2011, employer contributions vest at 100% after one year of service.

Forfeitures: Forfeitures of terminated participants' nonvested accounts are used to pay Plan expenses or reduce future employer contributions. Unused forfeitures totaling $6,084 are included in net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2011. Forfeitures of $6,082 were used to pay Plan expenses during the year ended December 31, 2011.

Payment of benefits: Participants or their beneficiaries are eligible for benefits upon retirement, termination, death or disability. A participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of his or her vested account or a qualified joint and survivor annuity.

Note receivable from participants: Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of $1,000, up to a maximum equal to the lesser of 50% of their vested account balance or $50,000. The Plan document states the maximum term of the note is five years from the date of the note, unless such note is used to acquire a dwelling unit which, within a reasonable time (determined at the time the note is made), will be used as the principal residence of the participant. The notes are secured with the participant's vested account balance and bear interest at rates to be determined by the Plan Administrator based on commercially reasonable rate. Interest rates ranged from 3.25% to 9.25% as of December 31, 2011 and are due through November 2015. Principal and interest are payable through payroll deductions.

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of accounting and presentation: The accompanying financial statements have been prepared under the accrual method of accounting. The Plan follows accounting standards established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) to ensure consistent reporting of net assets and changes in net assets. References to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) in these footnotes are to the FASB Accounting Standards Codification™ (ASC or the Codification).

Accounting estimates and assumptions: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires Plan management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, net assets available for benefits and changes therein and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risk and uncertainties: The Plan utilizes various funds as investment instruments. Mutual funds are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate and credit risk and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Notes receivable from participants: Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Delinquent notes are treated as distributions based upon the terms of the Plan document.

Investment valuation and income recognition: 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 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Investment contracts held by a defined-contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value. However, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined-contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. The Plan invested in investment contracts through a common collective trust (Wells Fargo Stable Return Fund). The statement of net assets available for benefits presents the fair value of the investment in the common collective trust as well as the adjustment of the investment in the common collective trust from fair value to contract value relating to the investment contracts. The statement of changes in net assets available for benefits is prepared on a contract value basis. The Wells Fargo Stable Return Fund was completely liquidated during 2011.

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 or 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 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.

Payment of benefits: Benefit payments to participants are recorded when paid.

Administrative expenses: Certain administrative functions are performed by officers or employees of the Company. No such officer or employee receives compensation from the Plan. Administrative expenses of the Plan are first paid from the forfeiture account and then any remainder is paid directly by the Company and the Plan.

Recently issued accounting pronouncements: 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 IFRSs* (ASU 2011-04). ASU 2011-04 amended ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* , to converge the fair value measurement guidance in GAAP and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs). Some of the amendments clarify the application of existing fair value measurement requirements, while 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.

Subsequent events: The Plan Administrator evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition and disclosure through September 14, 2012, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Through that date no events requiring recognition or disclosure occurred.

Note 3. Information Certified and Provided by the Trustee

The following is a summary of the Plan's asset information as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and for the year ended December 31, 2011, included throughout the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule, that was prepared by or derived from information provided by Reliance Trust Company (the trustee) and furnished to the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator has obtained certifications from the trustee that information provided to the Plan Administrator by the trustee 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 information which appears throughout the financial statements and supplemental schedule related to the following assets:

	2011	2010
Investments:		
Common collective trust, at contract value:		
Wells Fargo Collective Stable Return Fund	**$ -**	$ 1,608,403
Adjustment from contract value to fair value*	**-**	35,157
Common collective trust, at fair value*	**-**	1,643,560
Mutual funds, at fair value	**3,466,640**	2,946,870
Money market funds, at fair value	**1,282,115**	109,753
	$ 4,748,755	$ 4,700,183
Notes receivable from participants	**332,726**	239,573

* These amounts were not certified as of December 31, 2010.

The Trustee also certified to the completeness and accuracy of the following investment income (loss) information (including investments bought, sold and held during the year) for the year ended December 31, 2011:

	Interest and Dividends	Net Depreciation in Fair Value of Investments
Money market funds	$ 95,974	$ -
Mutual funds	-	(114,754)
	$ 95,974	$ (114,754)

The Trustee also certified to the completeness and accuracy of interest income on notes receivable from participants of $11,079 for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Included in net depreciation in fair value of investments on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits are uncertified gains related to the Wells Fargo Collective Stable Return Fund in the amount of $26,121 for the year ended December 31, 2011.

The following table presents Plan investments that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets at December 31, 2011 and 2010:

	December 31,	
	2011	2010
Davis New York Venture Fund Y	*****	$ 252,629
Vanguard Money Market Prime Mutual Fund	**$ 1,282,115**	*
American Europacific Growth Fund r5	**275,911**	297,399
Federated Mid-Cap Index Fund	**498,216**	463,218
Vanguard Balanced Index Fund Investor	**832,567**	636,405
Wells Fargo Stable Return Fund, at fair value	*****	1,643,560
Wells Fargo Stable Return Fund, at contract value	*****	1,608,403
Pimco Total Return Fund Institutional	**443,750**	331,501
T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund	**283,324**	*
Vanguard 500 Index Fund Investor	**369,400**	*

* Balance less than 5% of the Plan's net assets

Note 4. Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. The Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures Topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification requires the use of valuation techniques that are consistent with the market approach, the income approach and/or the cost approach. Inputs to valuation techniques refer to the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Inputs may be observable, meaning those that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on market data obtained from independent sources, or unobservable, meaning those that reflect the Plan's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. In that regard, the guidance establishes a fair value hierarchy for valuation inputs that give the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs. The fair value hierarchy is as follows:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access as of the measurement date.

Level 2: Significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs that reflect the Plan's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

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

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in valuation methodologies at December 31, 2011 compared to December 31, 2010.

Common collective trust: Valued at the net asset value (NAV) of shares held by the Plan as reported to the Plan trustee from audited financial statements of the trust at year end. The Plan's investment in the trust is determined by taking the number of units owned by the Plan times the value per unit of the trust at year end and is classified within Level 2 of the valuation hierarchy.

Mutual funds and money market funds: Reported at fair value based on quoted market price of the fund and classified within Level 1 of the valuation hierarchy.

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

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments at fair value as of December 31, 2011 and 2010.

	Investments at Fair Value			
	Level 1	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
		2011		
Short term money market funds	**$ 1,282,115**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 1,282,115**
Mutual funds:				
Bond	**571,149**	**-**	**-**	**571,149**
Small US Equity	**199,969**	**-**	**-**	**199,969**
Midcap US Equity	**554,351**	**-**	**-**	**554,351**
Large US Equity	**1,674,311**	**-**	**-**	**1,674,311**
Large Foreign Equity	**466,860**	**-**	**-**	**466,860**
Total investments at fair value	**$ 4,748,755**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 4,748,755**

	Investments at Fair Value			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	2010			
Common collective trust, Wells Fargo Stable Return Fund (a)	$ -	$ 1,643,560	$ -	$ 1,643,560
Short term money market funds	109,753	-	-	109,753
Mutual funds:				
Bond	412,483	-	-	412,483
Small US Equity	227,170	-	-	227,170
Midcap US Equity	507,514	-	-	507,514
Large US Equity	1,353,785	-	-	1,353,785
Large Foreign Equity	445,918	-	-	445,918
Total investments at fair value	$ 3,056,623	$ 1,643,560	$ -	$ 4,700,183

(a) This represents the common collective trust whose objective is to provide a moderate level of stable income without principal volatility while seeking to maintain adequate liquidity and returns superior to shorter maturity instruments. This actively managed fund invests in a variety of investment contracts and instruments issued by selected high-quality insurance companies and financial institutions. The principal value of these contracts is not expected to experience price fluctuations in most economic or interest rate environments. The trust generally invests up to 95% in Guaranteed Investment Contracts issued by insurance companies, Bank Investment Contracts issued by banks and security backed contracts. Investments in this category can be redeemed daily without any notice period at the current net asset value per share based on the fair value of the underlying assets. There are no unfunded commitments to this fund. The fair value of the investments in this category have been estimated using the net asset value per share of the underlying investments.

During the year ended December 31, 2011, the Plan did not make any transfers between Level 1, 2 or 3 assets.

Note 5. Administrative Expenses

Certain administrative functions are performed by employees of the Company. No such employee receives compensation from the Plan. All administrative fees, other than loan fees, are paid by the Plan or Plan sponsor.

Note 6. Related-Party Transactions

Certain plan investments are units of common collective trusts and mutual funds managed by the trustee and therefore qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Fees paid by the Plan for service charges amounted to $18,269 for the year ended December 31, 2011.

Note 7. Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions and terminate the Plan at any time subject to the provisions of ERISA. Upon termination of the Plan, or another action that would qualify as a partial termination, all of the participants affected would immediately become fully vested in their accounts at the date of termination.

Note 8. Tax Status

The Plan is a defined contribution prototype plan sponsored by Standard Retirement Services, Inc. The prototype plan has received a letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated March 31, 2008 as to its qualified status. The Plan has been amended since receiving the tax determination letter. The Plan Administrator believes the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Plan follows the accounting guidance for uncertainty in income taxes. The Plan Administrator evaluated the Plan's tax positions and concluded that the Plan had maintained its tax exempt status and had taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements; therefore, no provision of liability for income taxes has been included in the financial statements. The Plan is no longer subject to income tax examinations by the U.S. federal, state or local tax authorities for years before 2008.

Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan

Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
December 31, 2011

Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	Description of Investment	Par Value/ Number of Shares	Current Value
Money market fund:			
Vanguard	Vanguard Money Market Prime Mutual Fund	1,282,115	$ 1,282,115
Mutual funds:			
American	American Europacific Growth Fund r5	7,863	275,911
Baron	Baron Small Cap Fund Mutual Fund	913	20,938
Blackrock	Blackrock Mid-Cap Value Fund Y	3,380	37,383
Dodge & Cox	Dodge & Cox International Stock Fund	3,551	103,817
Federated	Federated Mid Cap Index Fund	24,849	498,216
Janus	Janus Perkins Small Company Value	6,401	130,581
MFS	MFS International Growth Fund A	4,096	87,132
MFS	MFS Value Fund R4	8,446	189,020
Munder	Munder Mid-Cap Core Growth Fund Y	664	18,752
Pimco	Pimco Total Return Fund Institutional	40,461	443,750
T. Rowe Price	T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund	8,901	283,324
Vanguard	Vanguard Balanced Index Fund Investor	38,226	832,567
Vanguard	Vanguard 500 Index Fund Investor	3,190	369,400
Vanguard	Vanguard Small-Cap Index Fund Investor	1,451	48,450
Vanguard	Short-Term Bond Index	11,991	127,399
			3,466,640
Participants*	Notes receivable from participants (interest rates 3.25% - 9.25%), maturing through November 2015		332,726
			$ 5,081,481

* Represents a party-in-interest.

The above information has been certified by Reliance Trust Company, plan trustee, as complete and accurate.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this schedule.

Attachment to 2011 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

Plan Name Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan **EIN:** 76-0589072
Plan Sponsor's Name Golden Aluminum, Inc. **PN:** 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	Vanguard	Money Market Prime Mutual Fund	0	1,282,115
	Baron	Small Cap Fund Mutual Fund	0	20,939
	Blackrock	Mid-Cap Value Fund Y Mutual Fund	0	37,383
	Dodge & Cox	International Stock Mutual Fund	0	103,817
	American Europacific	Growth R5 Mutual Fund	0	275,911
	Federated Mid Cap Index	Mutual Fund	0	498,216
	Janus Perkins Small Co	Value Fund 1 Mutual Fund	0	130,581

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(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	MFS Internations Growth	Fund A Mutual Fund	0	87,132
	MFS	Value Fund R4 Mutual Fund	0	189,020
	Munder Midcap Core	Growth Fund Y Mutual Fund	0	18,752
	T. Rowe Price Growth	Stock Fund Mutual Fund	0	283,324
	Vanguard Balanced Index	Fund Investor Mutual Fund	0	832,567
	Vanguard 500 Index	Fund Investor Mutual Fund	0	369,400
	Vanguard Small-Cap	Index Fund Investor Mutual Fund	0	48,450

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Plan Name Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan **EIN:** 76-0589072
Plan Sponsor's Name Golden Aluminum, Inc. **PN:** 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	Pimco Total Return	Fund International Mutual Fund	0	443,750
	Vanguard Short-Term	Bond Index Fund Investor Mutual Fund	0	127,399
*	Standard Insurance Co.	(3.25%-9.25%) Participant Loans	0	332,726