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.**

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1210-0089

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

A This return/report is for:
- [ ] a multiemployer plan;
- [ ] a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions); 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:
- [ ] 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 (employer, if for a single-employer plan)
Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC.

1405 14TH ST
FORT LUPTON, CO 80621-2718

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
76-0589072

2c Plan 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.	07/26/2016	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

Preparer's name (including firm name, if applicable) and address (include room or suite number)

Preparer's telephone number

3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor	**3b** Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
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:	**4b** EIN	
a Sponsor's name	**4c** PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	198
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines **6a(1), 6a(2), 6b, 6c,** and **6d**).		
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	**6a(1)**	169
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	176
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	36
d Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	212
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits	**6e**	0
f Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	212
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	186
h Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	30
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 Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3D

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

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)		**9b** Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)	
(1)	[ ] Insurance	**(1)**	[ ] Insurance
(2)	[ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	**(2)**	[ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3)	[X] Trust	**(3)**	[X] Trust
(4)	[ ] General assets of the sponsor	**(4)**	[ ] General assets of the sponsor

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

a Pension Schedules

(1) [X] **R** (Retirement Plan Information)

(2) [ ] **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary

(3) [ ] **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary

b General Schedules

(1) [X] **H** (Financial Information)

(2) [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)

(3) [ ] ___ **A** (Insurance Information)

(4) [X] **C** (Service Provider Information)

(5) [ ] **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)

(6) [ ] **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III **Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)**

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ……..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2015 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2015 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code_____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500)	Service Provider Information	OMB No. 1210-0110
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).	2015
Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation		

For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

A Name of plan	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC. 401(K) SAVINGS PLAN		001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500	**D** Employer Identification Number (EIN)	
GOLDEN ALUMINUM, INC.	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	NONE	35115	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [ ] No [X]	1504	Yes [ ] No [X]

(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?
27 70	NONE	10000	Yes [ ] No [X]	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 ☐

(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 ☐

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.
RELIANCE TRUST COMPANY 1100 ABERNATHY ROAD, NE 500 NORTHPAK, SUITE 400 ATLANTA, GA 30328	SUB-TA'S 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

(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.

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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d	Address:	**e** Telephone:

Explanation:

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
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Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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

2015

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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 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)	1458515	1496931
(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)	409023	497176
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	5515087	5529355
(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	7382625	7523462
	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	7382625	7523462

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)	296902	
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	548821	
	(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	212996	
	(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
	(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		1058719
b	**Earnings on investments:**			
	(1) Interest:			
	(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	400	
	(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)	13554	
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
	(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		13954
	(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)	203700	
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		203700
	(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
	(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

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		-213309
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		1063064
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	883688	
(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)		883688
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)	38539	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(4)**	2i(5)		38539
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		922227
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		140837
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: RSM US 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 lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

		Yes	No	N/A	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		

		Yes	No	N/A	Amount
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			1000000
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				
o	Did the plan trust incur unrelated business taxable income?	4o				
p	Were in-service distributions made during the plan year?	4p				

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)

5c If the plan is a defined benefit plan, is it covered under the PBGC insurance program (see ERISA section 4021)? ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

Part V Trust Information

6a Name of trust	**6b** Trust's EIN

6c Name of trustee or custodian	**6d** Trustee's or custodian's telephone number

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.**

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This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

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 lines 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 lines 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 lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)*
(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____
(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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 lines 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 lines 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 line 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 lines (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 line 19(b)?
☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify):

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

20a Is the plan a 401(k) plan?	☐ Yes	☐ No
20b If "Yes," how does the 401(k) plan satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2)?	☐ Design-based safe harbor method	☐ ADP/ACP test
20c If the ADP/ACP test is used, did the 401(k) plan perform ADP/ACP testing for the plan year using the "current year testing method" for nonhighly compensated employees (Treas. Reg sections 1.401(k)-2(a)(2)(ii) and 1.401(m)-2(a)(2)(ii))?	☐ Yes	☐ No
21a Check the box to indicate the method used by the plan to satisfy the coverage requirements under section 410(b):	☐ Ratio percentage test	☐ Average benefit test
21b Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules?	☐ Yes	☐ No
22a Has the plan been timely amended for all required tax law changes?	☐ Yes	☐ No ☐ N/A

22b Date the last plan amendment/restatement for the required tax law changes was adopted ____/____/____. Enter the applicable code _____ (See instructions for tax law changes and codes).

22c If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved master and prototype (M&P) or volume submitter plan that is subject to a favorable IRS opinion or advisory letter, enter the date of that favorable letter _____/_____/_____ and the letter's serial number _____.

22d If the plan is an individually-designed plan and received a favorable determination letter from the IRS, enter the date of the plan's last favorable determination letter _____/_____/_____.

23 Is the Plan maintained in a U.S. territory (i.e., Puerto Rico (if no election under ERISA section 1022(i)(2) has been made), American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or the U.S. Virgin Islands)?	☐ Yes	☐ No

Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan

Financial Report
December 31, 2015

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Independent Auditor's Report

RSM US LLP

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

Report on the Financial Statements
We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan (the Plan), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on conducting the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Because of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, however, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion.

Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion
As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the Plan Administrator instructed us not to perform, and we did not perform, any auditing procedures with respect to the information summarized in Note 3, which was certified or provided by Reliance Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing this information with the related information included in the financial statements. 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 as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and for the year ended December 31, 2015, that the information provided to the Plan Administrator by the trustee is complete and accurate.

Disclaimer of Opinion
Because of the significance of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on these financial statements.

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Emphasis of Matter
As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Plan adopted new accounting guidance related to the presentation of fair value of certain investments and disclosure of investments. Prior year disclosures have been revised to reflect the retrospective application of adopting these changes in accounting. Our disclaimer of opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matter
The supplemental schedule, Schedule H - Part IV, Line 4i - Schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2015, is required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and is presented for the purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. The supplemental schedule is the responsibility of the Plan's management. Because of the significance of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, we do not express an opinion on the supplemental schedule.

Report on Form and Content in Compliance with DOL Rules and Regulations
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 Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

RSM US LLP

Denver, Colorado
July 22, 2016

Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits
December 31, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Assets		
Investments, at fair value	**$ 7,026,286**	$ 6,973,602
Notes receivable from participants	**497,176**	409,023
Total assets	**7,523,462**	7,382,625
Liabilities	**-**	-
Net Assets Available for Benefits	**$ 7,523,462**	$ 7,382,625

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, 2015

Additions to net assets attributable to:	
Investment income (loss):	
Net depreciation in fair value of investments	$ (213,309)
Interest and dividends	204,100
	(9,209)
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	13,554
Contributions:	
Participants	548,821
Employer	296,902
Rollovers from other plans	212,996
	1,058,719
Total additions	1,063,064
Deductions from net assets attributable to:	
Benefits paid to participants	883,688
Administrative expenses	38,539
Total deductions	922,227
Net increase	140,837
Net assets available for benefits:	
Beginning of year	7,382,625
End of year	$ 7,523,462

See notes to financial statements.

Note 1. Description of Plan

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 or Plan Sponsor). 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. Employees are automatically enrolled as participants in the plan with an automatic deferral percentage of 3 percent, 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 and investment options: 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.

Contributions: Each year, participants may contribute a maximum of 75 percent 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. The Company matches 100 percent of the participant's salary deferral up to the first 3 percent of salary deferred. There were no discretionary profit-sharing contributions for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Vesting: Participants are immediately vested in their elective salary deferral contributions plus earnings thereon. For employees hired prior to August 27, 2011, employer contributions vested at a rate of 20 percent 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 percent 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 $3,544 and $4,533 are included in net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. During the year ended December 31, 2015, forfeitures of $13,628 were used to pay Plan expenses.

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.

Notes 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 percent 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 a commercially reasonable rate. Notes receivable outstanding as of December 31, 2015 bear interest at 3.25 percent and are due through April 2025. Principal and interest are payable through payroll deductions.

Note 2. 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 (U.S. 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 U.S. GAAP 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.

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 expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. 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.

Recent accounting pronouncements: In May 2015, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2015-07, *Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities That Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or its Equivalent)* (ASU 2015-07). The amendments in this update remove the requirement to categorize within the fair value hierarchy and make certain disclosures for all investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient. Rather, those disclosures are limited to investments for which the entity has elected to measure the fair value using that practical expedient. The amendments in this update will generally be effective for fiscal periods beginning after December 15, 2016, for non public entities. Early adoption is permitted. The Plan adopted this Update for the 2015 plan year, and there was no impact on the financial statements or notes to the financial statements.

Note 2. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

In July 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-12, *Plan Accounting: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Topic 960), Defined Contribution Pension Plans (Topic 962), Health and Welfare Benefit Plans (Topic 965) – (I) Fully Benefit-Responsive Investment Contracts, (II) Plan Investment Disclosures, and (III) Measurement Date Practical Expedient (a consensus of the FASB Emerging Issues Task Force)*. The purpose of this Update is to simplify plan accounting.

- The amendments in Part I of this Update designate contract value as the only required measure for direct investments in fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. Fully benefit-responsive investment contracts will be presented at contract value; accordingly there will no longer be an adjustment from fair value to contract value on the face of the financial statements.

- The amendments in Part II of this Update will eliminate the requirements for plans to disclose (1) individual investments that represent 5 percent or more of net assets available for benefits and (2) the net appreciation or depreciation for investments by general type for both participant-directed investments and nonparticipant-directed investments. The net appreciation or depreciation in investments for the period will still be required to be presented in the aggregate. In addition, if an investment is measured using the net asset value per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient in Topic 820 and that investment is in a fund that files a U.S. Department of Labor Form 5500, *Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan*, as a direct filing entity, disclosure of that investment's strategy will no longer be required.

- The amendments in Part III of this Update reduce complexity in employee benefit plan accounting by providing a practical expedient that permits plans to measure investments and investment related accounts as of a month-end date that is closest to the plan's fiscal year-end, when the fiscal period does not coincide with month-end.

The Update may be adopted in whole or by part (I, II, and III), as applicable. The amendments in this Update are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted. Upon adoption, the amendments in Parts I and II shall be applied retrospectively to all periods presented; the amendments in Part III shall be applied prospectively. The Plan adopted Part II during the 2015 plan year, and the amendments in Part II were retrospectively applied to December 31, 2014. Prior year disclosures in Notes 3 and 4 have been revised to reflect the retrospective application. The impact of adopting these amendments is reflected in the financial statements.

Subsequent events: The Plan Administrator evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition and disclosure through July 22, 2015, 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 Reliance Trust Company

The following is a summary of the Plan's asset information as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and for the year ended December 31, 2015, 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 Department of Labor's (DOL) 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:

	2015	2014
Investments, at fair value:		
Mutual funds	$ 7,026,286	$ 6,973,602
Notes receivable from participants	497,176	409,023

The Trustee also certified to the completeness and accuracy of ($213,309) of net (depreciation) in fair value of investments, $204,100 of interest and dividends related to the aforementioned investments and $13,554 of interest income on notes receivable from participants for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Note 4. Fair Value Measurements

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

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, 2015 compared to December 31, 2014.

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

Note 4. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

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, 2015 and 2014.

	2015			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	$ 7,026,286	$ -	$ -	$ 7,026,286

	2014			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	$ 6,973,602	$ -	$ -	$ 6,973,602

During the year ended December 31, 2015, the Plan did not make any transfers between levels.

Note 5. Related-Party Transactions

Plan investments are managed by the Trustee and qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Fees paid by the Plan for service charges amounted to $38,539 for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Note 6. 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 7. 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, 2014 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.

Golden Aluminum, Inc. 401(k) Savings Plan

Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)
December 31, 2015

Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	Description of Investment	Par Value/ Number of Shares	Current Value
Mutual funds:			
American Europacific	American Europacific Growth R5 Fund	9,516	$ 430,802
Baron	Baron Small-Cap Retail Fund	3,429	96,661
Dodge & Cox	Dodge & Cox International Stock Fund	7,415	270,500
Federated	Federated Mid-Cap Index Fund	14,368	334,192
JP Morgan	JP Morgan Mid-Cap Value Mutual Fund	1,990	67,590
Pioneer	Pioneer Bond Fund Class Y	34,083	321,063
MFS	MFS International Growth Fund A	7,078	182,483
MFS	MFS Value Fund R4	7,656	251,054
T. Rowe Price	T. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund	10,793	579,157
Vanguard	Vanguard Prime Money Market Fund	1,496,931	1,496,931
Vanguard	Vanguard Small-Cap Value Index Admiral	6,594	279,996
Vanguard	Vanguard Balanced Index Fund Investor	54,365	1,588,544
Vanguard	Vanguard 500 Index Admiral Fund	3,901	735,325
Vanguard	Vanguard Small-Cap Index Fund Investor	1,516	80,383
Vanguard	Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	21,582	225,104
Victory	Victory Munder Mid-Cap Core Growth Y	2,343	86,501
			7,026,286
Participants*	Notes receivable from participants (interest rates 3.25%), maturing through April 2025	n/a	497,176
			$ 7,523,462

* Represents a party-in-interest.

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

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.**

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1210-0089

2015

This Form is Open to Public Inspection

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

A This return/report is for:
- ☐ a multiemployer plan;
- ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions); 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
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 (employer, if for a single-employer plan)
Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)
City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)
Golden Aluminum, Inc.

1405 14th St

Fort Lupton CO 80621-2718

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 76-0589072

2c Plan 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	Jerry L. Reed	7/25/16	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

Preparer's name (including firm name, if applicable) and address (include room or suite number)

Preparer's telephone number

3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor	**3b** Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
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**	198
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines **6a(1)**, **6a(2)**, **6b**, **6c**, and **6d**).		
a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year	**6a(1)**	169
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	176
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	36
d Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	212
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	0
f Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	212
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	186
h Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	30
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 Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3D

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

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)		**9b** Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)	
(1)	[ ] Insurance	(1)	[ ] Insurance
(2)	[ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2)	[ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3)	[X] Trust	(3)	[X] Trust
(4)	[ ] General assets of the sponsor	(4)	[ ] General assets of the sponsor

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

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

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2015 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2015 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code_____

The Schedule of Assets (Held at the End of the Year) attachment to the Schedule H Line 4i is included in the attached Accountants Opinion.