

<b>Form 5500</b> Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service  Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration  Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	<b>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</b> 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).  <p style="text-align: center;">▶ <b>Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</b></p>	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089  <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold;">2015</div>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
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<b>Part I</b>	<b>Annual Report Identification Information</b>
For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2015</u> and ending <u>12/31/2015</u>	
<b>A</b> This return/report is for:	<input type="checkbox"/> a multiemployer plan; <input type="checkbox"/> a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions); or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a single-employer plan; <input type="checkbox"/> a DFE (specify) _____
<b>B</b> This return/report is:	<input type="checkbox"/> the first return/report; <input type="checkbox"/> the final return/report; <input type="checkbox"/> an amended return/report; <input type="checkbox"/> a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months).
<b>C</b> If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ....	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>D</b> Check box if filing under:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 5558; <input type="checkbox"/> automatic extension; <input type="checkbox"/> the DFVC program; <input type="checkbox"/> special extension (enter description)

<b>Part II</b>	<b>Basic Plan Information</b> —enter all requested information				
<b>1a</b> Name of plan <u>COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING 401(K) PLAN</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;"><b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: center;">002</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>08/11/1984</u></td> </tr> </table>	<b>1b</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	002	<b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>08/11/1984</u>	
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<b>1c</b> Effective date of plan <u>08/11/1984</u>					
<b>2a</b> 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) <u>COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.</u>  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div><u>P.O. BOX 2156</u> <u>TACOMA, WA 98401-2156</u></div> <div><u>1301 A STREET</u> <u>TACOMA, WA 98401-2156</u></div> </div>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td><b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1422237</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>253-305-1900</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>522190</u></td> </tr> </table>	<b>2b</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1422237</u>	<b>2c</b> Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>253-305-1900</u>	<b>2d</b> Business code (see instructions) <u>522190</u>	
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**Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.**

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

<b>SIGN HERE</b>	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	<u>09/26/2016</u>	<u>MICHAEL J. NELSON</u>
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
<b>SIGN HERE</b>			
	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

<b>3a</b> Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	<b>3b</b> Administrator's EIN  <b>3c</b> Administrator's telephone number  <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
<b>4</b> 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: <b>a</b> Sponsor's name	<b>4b</b> EIN  <b>4c</b> PN
<b>5</b> Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	<b>5</b> 2098
<b>6</b> Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines <b>6a(1)</b> , <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , <b>6c</b> , and <b>6d</b> ).  <b>a(1)</b> Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year..... <b>a(2)</b> Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year .....  <b>b</b> Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... <b>c</b> Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits..... <b>d</b> Subtotal. Add lines <b>6a(2)</b> , <b>6b</b> , and <b>6c</b> ..... <b>e</b> Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits..... <b>f</b> Total. Add lines <b>6d</b> and <b>6e</b> .....  <b>g</b> Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item).....  <b>h</b> Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested .....	<b>6a(1)</b> 1672 <b>6a(2)</b> 1834 <b>6b</b> 2 <b>6c</b> 503 <b>6d</b> 2339 <b>6e</b> 1 <b>6f</b> 2340 <b>6g</b> 2093 <b>6h</b> 92
<b>7</b> Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item) .....	<b>7</b>
<b>8a</b> If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2F 2H 2J 2K 2S 2T 3D  <b>b</b> If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:	
<b>9a</b> Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) <b>(1)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance <b>(2)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts <b>(3)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust <b>(4)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	<b>9b</b> Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) <b>(1)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance <b>(2)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts <b>(3)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust <b>(4)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
<b>10</b> Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)	
<b>a Pension Schedules</b> <b>(1)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>R</b> (Retirement Plan Information)  <b>(2)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>MB</b> (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary  <b>(3)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>SB</b> (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	<b>b General Schedules</b> <b>(1)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>H</b> (Financial Information) <b>(2)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>I</b> (Financial Information – Small Plan) <b>(3)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>0</u> <b>A</b> (Insurance Information) <b>(4)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>C</b> (Service Provider Information) <b>(5)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>D</b> (DFE/Participating Plan Information) <b>(6)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>G</b> (Financial Transaction Schedules)

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<b>Part III</b>	<b>Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)</b>
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**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.

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

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**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 \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>SCHEDULE C</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service  Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration  Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	<b>Service Provider Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  ▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110
		<b>2015</b>
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For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

<b>A</b> Name of plan COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING 401(K) PLAN	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) 91-1422237

**Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)**

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

**1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation**

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

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

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

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**2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation.** Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

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

HORIZON ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC

91-2019677

(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?
26 27	NONE	73932	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

CHARLES SCHWAB TRUST COMPANY

42-1558009

(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?
18 21	NONE	39147	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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91-1526584

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 37 60 64	NONE	33250	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

**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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			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

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

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

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

**Part I Service Provider Information (continued)**

**3** If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
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(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.	



**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.

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

**Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)**  
(complete as many entries as needed)

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

<b>a</b> Name:	<b>b</b> EIN:
<b>c</b> Position:	
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<b>d</b> Address:	<b>e</b> Telephone:

Explanation:

<b>SCHEDULE D</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b> <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	<b>DFE/Participating Plan Information</b>  This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).  <b>► File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <b>2015</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING 401(K) PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) <span style="float: right;">►</span>	<u>002</u>
<b>C</b> Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1422237</u>	

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)</b> (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FEDERATED CAPITAL PRESERVATION FUND

**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): FEDERATED INVESTORS TRUST COMPANY

<b>c</b> EIN-PN <u>22-2712853-001</u>	<b>d</b> Entity code <u>C</u>	<b>e</b> Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>7723383</u>
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**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

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

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

**a** Plan name**b** Name of  
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of  
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plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN

<b>SCHEDULE H</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small>  <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>  <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	<b>Financial Information</b>  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).  <b>► File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small>  <b>2015</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</b>
For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2015</u> and ending <u>12/31/2015</u>		
<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING 401(K) PLAN</u>		<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) <span style="float: right;">►</span> <u>002</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.</u>		<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1422237</u>

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
<b>1</b> 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. <b>Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.</b> 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.				
	<b>Assets</b>			
<b>a</b>	Total noninterest-bearing cash .....	<b>1a</b>	328010	169
<b>b</b>	Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
	(1) Employer contributions .....	<b>1b(1)</b>	4400906	5068929
	(2) Participant contributions .....	<b>1b(2)</b>	-1185	30
	(3) Other.....	<b>1b(3)</b>		
<b>c</b>	General investments:			
	(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit) .....	<b>1c(1)</b>	3661950	4792748
	(2) U.S. Government securities.....	<b>1c(2)</b>		
	(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
	(A) Preferred .....	<b>1c(3)(A)</b>		
	(B) All other.....	<b>1c(3)(B)</b>		
	(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
	(A) Preferred .....	<b>1c(4)(A)</b>		
	(B) Common .....	<b>1c(4)(B)</b>		
	(5) Partnership/joint venture interests .....	<b>1c(5)</b>		
	(6) Real estate (other than employer real property) .....	<b>1c(6)</b>		
	(7) Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>1c(7)</b>		
	(8) Participant loans .....	<b>1c(8)</b>	1970083	2644792
	(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	<b>1c(9)</b>	6230467	7723383
	(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts.....	<b>1c(10)</b>		
	(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts .....	<b>1c(11)</b>		
	(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>1c(12)</b>		
	(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	<b>1c(13)</b>	70278417	87094344
	(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	<b>1c(14)</b>		
	(15) Other .....	<b>1c(15)</b>		

<b>1d</b> Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities .....	<b>1d(1)</b>	5866518	7099794
(2) Employer real property .....	<b>1d(2)</b>		
<b>e</b> Buildings and other property used in plan operation .....	<b>1e</b>		
<b>f</b> Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e) .....	<b>1f</b>	92735166	114424189

**Liabilities**

<b>g</b> Benefit claims payable .....	<b>1g</b>	0	36876
<b>h</b> Operating payables .....	<b>1h</b>	0	457
<b>i</b> Acquisition indebtedness .....	<b>1i</b>		
<b>j</b> Other liabilities .....	<b>1j</b>		
<b>k</b> Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j) .....	<b>1k</b>	0	37333

**Net Assets**

<b>l</b> Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f) .....	<b>1l</b>	92735166	114386856
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**Part II Income and Expense Statement**

**2** Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

**Income**

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
<b>a Contributions:</b>			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: <b>(A)</b> Employers .....	<b>2a(1)(A)</b>	7418886	
<b>(B)</b> Participants .....	<b>2a(1)(B)</b>	7348188	
<b>(C)</b> Others (including rollovers) .....	<b>2a(1)(C)</b>	1112792	
(2) Noncash contributions .....	<b>2a(2)</b>		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines <b>2a(1)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , <b>(C)</b> , and line <b>2a(2)</b> .....	<b>2a(3)</b>		15879866
<b>b Earnings on investments:</b>			
(1) Interest:			
<b>(A)</b> Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit) .....	<b>2b(1)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> U.S. Government securities .....	<b>2b(1)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Corporate debt instruments .....	<b>2b(1)(C)</b>		
<b>(D)</b> Loans (other than to participants) .....	<b>2b(1)(D)</b>		
<b>(E)</b> Participant loans .....	<b>2b(1)(E)</b>	105170	
<b>(F)</b> Other .....	<b>2b(1)(F)</b>		
<b>(G)</b> Total interest. Add lines <b>2b(1)(A)</b> through <b>(F)</b> .....	<b>2b(1)(G)</b>		105170
(2) Dividends: <b>(A)</b> Preferred stock .....	<b>2b(2)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Common stock .....	<b>2b(2)(B)</b>	286177	
<b>(C)</b> Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(2)(C)</b>	4366821	
<b>(D)</b> Total dividends. Add lines <b>2b(2)(A)</b> , <b>(B)</b> , and <b>(C)</b> .....	<b>2b(2)(D)</b>		4652998
(3) Rents .....	<b>2b(3)</b>		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: <b>(A)</b> Aggregate proceeds .....	<b>2b(4)(A)</b>	107769	
<b>(B)</b> Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions) .....	<b>2b(4)(B)</b>		
<b>(C)</b> Subtract line <b>2b(4)(B)</b> from line <b>2b(4)(A)</b> and enter result .....	<b>2b(4)(C)</b>		107769
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: <b>(A)</b> Real estate .....	<b>2b(5)(A)</b>		
<b>(B)</b> Other .....	<b>2b(5)(B)</b>	936402	
<b>(C)</b> Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines <b>2b(5)(A)</b> and <b>(B)</b> .....	<b>2b(5)(C)</b>		936402

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts .....	<b>2b(6)</b>		51028
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts .....	<b>2b(7)</b>		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts .....	<b>2b(8)</b>		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities .....	<b>2b(9)</b>		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds) .....	<b>2b(10)</b>		-5746468
<b>c</b> Other income .....	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b> Total income. Add all <b>income</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2d</b>		15986765

**Expenses****e** Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:

(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers .....	<b>2e(1)</b>	9046392	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits .....	<b>2e(2)</b>		
(3) Other .....	<b>2e(3)</b>		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines <b>2e(1)</b> through <b>(3)</b> .....	<b>2e(4)</b>		9046392
<b>f</b> Corrective distributions (see instructions) .....	<b>2f</b>		
<b>g</b> Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions) .....	<b>2g</b>		144355
<b>h</b> Interest expense .....	<b>2h</b>		
<b>i</b> Administrative expenses: <b>(1)</b> Professional fees .....	<b>2i(1)</b>		
(2) Contract administrator fees .....	<b>2i(2)</b>		
(3) Investment advisory and management fees .....	<b>2i(3)</b>	113218	
(4) Other .....	<b>2i(4)</b>	33250	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines <b>2i(1)</b> through <b>(4)</b> .....	<b>2i(5)</b>		146468
<b>j</b> Total expenses. Add all <b>expense</b> amounts in column (b) and enter total .....	<b>2j</b>		9337215

**Net Income and Reconciliation**

<b>k</b> Net income (loss). Subtract line <b>2j</b> from line <b>2d</b> .....	<b>2k</b>		6649550
<b>l</b> Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan .....	<b>2l(1)</b>		15002140
(2) From this plan .....	<b>2l(2)</b>		

**Part III Accountant's Opinion**

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

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

(1) ☒ Unqualified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

**b** Did the accountant perform a limited scope audit pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and/or 103-12(d)?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

(1) Name: FINNEY, NEILL & COMPANY, P.S.

(2) EIN: 91-1566381

**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
<b>a</b> Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.) .....		X		
<b>b</b> Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.) .....		X		



	Yes	No	N/A	Amount
<b>c</b> Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X		
<b>d</b> Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X		
<b>e</b> Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X			1000000
<b>f</b> Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X		
<b>g</b> Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X		
<b>h</b> Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X		
<b>i</b> Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X			
<b>j</b> Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)		X		
<b>k</b> Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X		
<b>l</b> Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X		
<b>m</b> If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X		
<b>n</b> 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.				
<b>o</b> Did the plan trust incur unrelated business taxable income?		X		
<b>p</b> Were in-service distributions made during the plan year?	X			1501689

**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

<b>6a</b> Name of trust	<b>6b</b> Trust's EIN
<b>6c</b> Name of trustee or custodian	<b>6d</b> Trustee's or custodian's telephone number

<b>SCHEDULE R</b> <b>(Form 5500)</b>  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service  Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration  Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	<b>Retirement Plan Information</b>  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).  ▶ <b>File as an attachment to Form 5500.</b>	OMB No. 1210-0110  <b>2015</b>  <b>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</b>
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For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

<b>A</b> Name of plan <u>COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING 401(K) PLAN</u>	<b>B</b> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>002</u>
<b>C</b> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.</u>	<b>D</b> Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>91-1422237</u>

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Distributions</b>
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

<b>1</b> Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	<b>1</b>	<u>0</u>
<b>2</b> Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits):  EIN(s): <u>42-1558009</u>		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
<b>3</b> Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year.....	<b>3</b>	

<b>Part II</b>	<b>Funding Information</b> (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part)
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<b>4</b> Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.			
<b>5</b> 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.		
<b>6 a</b> Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) .....	<b>6a</b>		
<b>b</b> Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year .....	<b>6b</b>		
<b>c</b> 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).....	<b>6c</b>		
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.			
<b>7</b> Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<b>8</b> 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? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

<b>Part III</b>	<b>Amendments</b>
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<b>9</b> 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. ....	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease	<input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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<b>Part IV</b>	<b>ESOPs</b> (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under Section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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<b>10</b> Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>11 a</b> Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>b</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.) .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>12</b> Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> 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): \_\_\_\_\_

**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): \_\_\_\_\_

**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): \_\_\_\_\_

**a** Name of contributing employer

**b** EIN

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**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): \_\_\_\_\_

**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): \_\_\_\_\_

**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:

<b>a</b> The current year .....	<b>14a</b>	
<b>b</b> The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year .....	<b>14b</b>	
<b>c</b> The second preceding plan year .....	<b>14c</b>	

**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:

<b>a</b> The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year .....	<b>15a</b>	
<b>b</b> The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year .....	<b>15b</b>	

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

<b>a</b> Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year .....	<b>16a</b>	
<b>b</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 .....	<b>16b</b>	

**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

<b>20a</b> Is the plan a 401(k) plan? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>20b</b> 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)? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Design-based safe harbor method	<input type="checkbox"/> ADP/ACP test
<b>20c</b> 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))? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>21a</b> Check the box to indicate the method used by the plan to satisfy the coverage requirements under section 410(b): .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Ratio percentage test	<input type="checkbox"/> Average benefit test
<b>21b</b> 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? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>22a</b> Has the plan been timely amended for all required tax law changes? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
<b>22b</b> 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).		
<b>22c</b> 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 _____.		
<b>22d</b> 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 ____/____/____.		
<b>23</b> 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)? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED  
PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

AND

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

# **Columbia Bank Cash or Deferred Profit Sharing Plan**

December 31, 2015 and 2014

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**Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Trustees  
Columbia Bank Cash or Deferred Profit Sharing Plan  
Tacoma, Washington

**Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Columbia Bank Cash or Deferred Profit Sharing 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***

Plan 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.

***Auditors' Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2015, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Report on Supplementary Information**

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedules, as listed in the accompanying table of contents, as of or for the year ended December 31, 2015 are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. Such information is the responsibility of the Plan's management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

*Finney, Hill & Company, P.S.*

Seattle, Washington  
September 12, 2016



**COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

## Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2015 and 2014

<b>Assets</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Investments, at fair value	\$ 106,694,822	86,056,043
Receivables:		
Loans to participants	2,644,792	1,970,083
Employer contribution	5,068,929	4,400,906
Other employer contributions	30	-
Total receivables	<u>7,713,751</u>	<u>6,370,989</u>
Cash	<u>169</u>	<u>328,010</u>
Total assets	114,408,742	92,755,042
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accrued expenses	-	1,185
Benefit claims payable	<u>37,333</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities	<u>37,333</u>	<u>1,185</u>
Net assets reflecting investments at fair value	114,371,409	92,753,857
Adjustment from fair value to contract value for fully benefit-responsive investment contract	<u>15,447</u>	<u>(18,691)</u>
Net assets available for benefits	<u>\$ 114,386,856</u>	<u>92,735,166</u>

*The accompanying footnotes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

**COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN****Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits****For the Year Ended December 31, 2015****Additions to net assets attributed to:****Investment income:**

Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments \$ (4,651,269)

Interest and dividends 4,652,998

Participant loan interest income 105,170

Total income 106,899

Less: investment management expenses (113,218)(6,319)**Contributions:**

Participant contributions 7,348,188

Participant account rollover contributions 1,112,792

Employer matching contributions 2,349,957

Employer profit sharing plan contributions 5,068,929Total contributions 15,879,866Total additions 15,873,547**Deductions from net assets attributed to:**

Benefits paid to participants 9,046,392

Deemed distributions of participant loans 144,355

Administrative expenses 33,250Total deductions 9,223,997

Net increase (decrease) 6,649,550

**Net assets available for benefits:**

Beginning of year 92,735,166

Transfer of assets into Plan from merger 15,002,140End of year \$ 114,386,856*The accompanying footnotes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

## **COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

Notes to Financial Statements  
Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

### **1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN**

The following description of the Columbia Bank Cash or Deferred Profit Sharing Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. The Plan is sponsored by Columbia Banking System, Inc. (the Company). Plan participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

#### **a. General**

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of the Company who have three months of service and are age eighteen or older. It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The Plan was amended during 2012 to adopt an automatic rollover provision for accounts of terminated employees whose vested account balances do not exceed \$5,000 as well as to change eligibility requirements of the Plan effective January 1, 2013. The Plan was amended during 2013 to reflect changes in Plan Trustees. There was no impact to net assets as a result of the Plan amendments.

Subsequent to year end, the Plan was amended to remove the three month waiting period to enter the Plan. The age requirement did not change as a result of this amendment.

#### **b. Contributions**

Participants may enter into a salary reduction agreement and make elective deferral contributions of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan, up to the statutory maximum. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans. The Company contributes 50 percent of the participant's eligible contributions ("matching contribution"). The Company's matching contribution is limited to the first six percent of the participant's periodic compensation. Additional discretionary amounts may be contributed at the option of the Company's board of directors. Contributions are subject to certain limitations.

#### **c. Participant accounts**

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and Company matching contributions, as well as allocations of the Company's profit sharing contribution and Plan earnings. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings, account balances, or specific participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

#### **d. Vesting**

Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions and Company matching contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company discretionary contributions portion of their accounts plus earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after three years of credited service.

## **COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

Notes to Financial Statements, continued  
Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

### **1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN, continued**

#### **e. Investment options**

Upon enrollment in the Plan, a participant may direct their contributions and the related Company matching contributions in any of the Plan's available investment options. Participants may change their investment options on a periodic basis as defined by the Plan.

#### **f. Forfeitures**

For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$126,583 and \$99,204, respectively. These accounts will be used to 1) restore participant forfeitures, 2) offset Plan expenses, or 3) reduce the Company's contribution to the Plan. During the year ended December 31, 2015, \$46,694 of forfeited nonvested accounts were used to offset Plan expenses.

#### **g. Participant loans**

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$500 and up to a maximum equal to the lesser of (a) \$50,000 or (b) one-half the present value of the nonforfeitable account balance. Loan transactions are treated as a transfer to (from) the investment fund from (to) the Participant Notes account. Loan terms range from 1 to 5 years or up to 15 years for the purchase of a primary residence. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a rate commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Plan trustees. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions. Participant notes receivable of \$2,644,792 and \$1,970,083 are included as receivables on the statements of net assets available for benefits for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Participant loans are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Participant loans are considered in default if payments thereon are ninety days past due. Loans are deemed distributable upon default and offset at the time of default and the occurrence of a distributable event, as defined by the Plan's loan policy.

#### **h. Payment of benefits**

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, the participant or beneficiary may elect to receive an amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account in either a lump-sum amount, or in annual installments over a specified period. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump-sum distribution. If the participant's vested account balance is less than \$5,000, the entire amount will be distributed to the employee as a lump sum payment or may be rolled over into another qualified plan.

Upon attaining age 59½, a participant may elect an in-service distribution of the vested interest in his or her account.

## **COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

Notes to Financial Statements, continued  
Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

### **2. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### **a. Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

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 Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits presents the fair value of the investment contracts as well as the adjustment of the fully benefit-responsive investment contracts from fair value to contract value. The Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits is prepared on a contract value basis.

#### **b. Investment Valuation and Income Recognition**

The Plan's investments are stated 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 3 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 includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

#### **c. Payment of Benefits**

Benefits are recorded when paid.

#### **d. Plan expenses**

A portion of the Plan administration fees are paid by the plan sponsor, Columbia Banking System, Inc., not the Plan.

#### **e. Tax status**

The Plan obtained its latest determination letter on July 13, 2010, in which the Internal Revenue Service stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan administrator and the Plan's tax counsel believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

The Plan accounts for tax positions in accordance with the Recognition and Initial Measurement Sections of the Income Taxes Topic of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification. With few exceptions, the Plan is subject to U.S. federal and state income tax examinations by tax authorities for the prior three years. Management has reviewed the Plan's tax positions and determined there were no uncertain tax positions as of December 31, 2015 and 2014.

*These footnotes are an integral part of the financial statements.*

## **COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

Notes to Financial Statements, continued  
Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

### **2. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued**

#### **e. Tax status, continued**

The Plan recognizes income tax related interest expense and penalties in administrative expenses. During the year ended December 31, 2015, the Plan recognized no income tax related interest or penalties.

#### **f. Use of estimates**

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

#### **g. Date of management's review**

Subsequent events have been evaluated through September 12, 2016, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

### **3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

The Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures Topic of the FASB Accounting Standards Codification 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 this Topic are described below:

Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- a. Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets,
- b. Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets,
- c. Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability,
- d. Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

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.

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# COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements, continued  
Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

## 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, continued

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2015 and 2014.

Mutual funds: Valued at the quoted net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year end.

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

Collective trust: Valued at fair value by discounting the related cash flows based on current yields of similar instruments with comparable durations considering credit-worthiness of the issuer.

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

The Plan's investments are held in a bank-administered trust fund. Investments that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets are separately identified.

The following table sets forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2015:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Registered investment companies:				
Artisan Mid Cap Inv	\$ 6,955,945	-	-	6,955,945
Baron Growth	6,624,948	-	-	6,624,948
Loomis Sayles Bond Instl	5,597,063	-	-	5,597,063
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	10,608,614	-	-	10,608,614
Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index - Admiral	6,285,614	-	-	6,285,614
Vanguard Small Cap Value Index - Admiral	6,114,926	-	-	6,114,926
Vanguard Value Index Fund - Signal	9,738,200	-	-	9,738,200
Other	39,961,782	-	-	39,961,782
	91,887,092	-	-	91,887,092
Columbia Bank Unitized Company Stock	7,099,794	-	-	7,099,794
Federated Capital Preservation Collective Trust	-	7,707,936	-	7,707,936
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$ 98,986,886</u>	<u>7,707,936</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>106,694,822</u>

*These footnotes are an integral part of the financial statements.*

# COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN

Notes to Financial Statements, continued  
Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

## 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, continued

The following table sets forth, by level within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2014:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Registered investment companies:				
Artisan Mid Cap Inv	\$ 5,568,056	-	-	5,568,056
Baron Growth	5,580,320	-	-	5,580,320
Loomis Sayles Bond Instl	4,623,809	-	-	4,623,809
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	8,681,545	-	-	8,681,545
Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index - Admiral	4,581,964	-	-	4,581,964
Vanguard Small Cap Value Index - Admiral	4,831,186	-	-	4,831,186
Vanguard Value Index Fund - Signal	8,458,116	-	-	8,458,116
Other	<u>31,615,371</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>31,615,371</u>
	73,940,367	-	-	73,940,367
Columbia Bank Unitized Company Stock	5,866,518	-	-	5,866,518
Federated Capital Preservation Collective Trust	<u>-</u>	<u>6,249,158</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,249,158</u>
Total assets at fair value	<u>\$ 79,806,885</u>	<u>6,249,158</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86,056,043</u>

During 2015, the Plan's investments (including gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year) appreciated in value by \$(4,651,269) as follows:

Mutual funds	\$ (5,746,468)
Common/collective trusts	51,028
Common stock	<u>1,044,171</u>
Net appreciation (depreciation)	<u>\$ (4,651,269)</u>

## 4. INVESTMENT CONTRACT WITH COLLECTIVE TRUST

The Plan entered into a benefit-responsive investment contract with the Federated Capital Preservation Fund (the Fund). The Fund maintains the contributions in a pooled account. The account is credited with actual earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The guaranteed investment contract issuers are contractually obligated to repay the principal and a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan.

*These footnotes are an integral part of the financial statements.*



## **COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

Notes to Financial Statements, continued  
Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

### **4. INVESTMENT CONTRACT WITH COLLECTIVE TRUST, continued**

Because the guaranteed investment contracts are fully benefit-responsive, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits attributable to the guaranteed investment contracts. Contract value, as reported to the Plan by the Fund, represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less withdrawals and administrative expenses. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value.

There are no reserves against contract value for credit risk of the contract issuer or otherwise. The fair value of the investment contract at December 31, 2015 and 2014 was \$7,707,936 and \$6,249,158, respectively. The crediting interest rate is based on an agreed-upon formula with the issuer. Such interest rates are set at the beginning of the contract and held constant, or reset periodically to reflect the performance of the underlying securities.

Certain events limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with the Fund. Such events include the following: (a) amendments to the plan documents (including complete or partial plan termination or merger with another plan), (b) changes to plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions, (c) bankruptcy of the plan sponsor or other plan sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the plan, or (d) the failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. The Plan administrator does not believe that the occurrence of any such value event, which would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with Plan participants, is probable.

The guaranteed investment contracts do not permit the contract issuers to terminate the agreement prior to the scheduled maturity date.

Based on data from the Fund at December 31, 2015 and 2014, the average yield based on actual earnings to participants was 1.93% and 1.64% and the average yield based on interest rate credited to participants was 1.44% and 1.45%, respectively.

### **5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS**

Certain Plan investments are shares of Columbia Banking System, Inc. common stock within a unitized fund. Columbia Banking System, Inc. is the Plan sponsor. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Charles Schwab manages certain Plan investments and is also Custodian to the Plan. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

As described in Note 2, the Plan provides for participant loans. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

## **COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

Notes to Financial Statements, continued  
Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

### **5. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS, continued**

Certain fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management, advisory services, and recordkeeping services are included in net appreciation of the investment, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than direct payment.

### **6. PLAN MERGER**

During 2015, the Plan sponsor acquired Intermountain Community Bancorp, the parent company of Panhandle State Bank. As a result of the merger, assets totaling \$15,002,140 were merged into the Plan.

### **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 at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested their accounts. Any unallocated assets of the Plan shall be allocated to participant accounts and distributed in such a manner as the Company may determine.

### **8. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES**

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

## **Supplementary Information**

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**COLUMBIA BANK CASH OR DEFERRED PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

December 31, 2015

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Artisan Midcap FD	Registered Investment Company	n/a	6,955,945
Baron Growth Fund	Registered Investment Company	n/a	6,624,948
Blackrock High Yield Bond Instl	Registered Investment Company	n/a	940,375
Broadview Opportunity Fund	Registered Investment Company	n/a	1,462,840
Dodge & Cox Income FD	Registered Investment Company	n/a	3,235,031
FPA Crescent FD Inst CL Shares	Registered Investment Company	n/a	2,962,071
Loomis Sayles Bond CL I	Registered Investment Company	n/a	5,597,063
Pimco Real Return FD Instl	Registered Investment Company	n/a	5,182,106
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Third Ave Real Estate Value FD I	Registered Investment Company	n/a	4,261,327
Twoedy Browne Global Value FD	Registered Investment Company	n/a	4,836,527
Vanguard Balanced Index FD Admiral	Registered Investment Company	n/a	4,428,618
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	Registered Investment Company	n/a	10,608,614
Vanguard Mid-Cap Value Index Admiral	Registered Investment Company	n/a	6,285,614
Vanguard Small Cap Value Index Admir	Registered Investment Company	n/a	6,114,926
Vanguard Total Intl Stock Index Adm	Registered Investment Company	n/a	3,958,456
Vanguard Value Index Instl Shares	Registered Investment Company	n/a	9,738,200
Federated Capital Preservation FD I	Collective Trust	n/a	7,723,383
* Columbia Bank United Company Stock	Common Stock	n/a	7,099,794
* Schwab Investor Money Fund	Cash equivalent	n/a	4,792,748
Cash	Non-interest bearing	n/a	169
* Participant loans	Interest ranges from 4.25% to 6.25%	-0-	106,710,438
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