

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6047(e), 6057(b), and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2015 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2015</u> and ending <u>12/31/2015</u>	
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 <u>HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(K))</u>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>004</u>
	1c Effective date of plan <u>11/01/1983</u>
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) <u>HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.</u> <u>C/O CATHY PALMER</u> <u>4421 WATERFRONT DRIVE</u> <u>GLENN ALLEN, VA 23060</u>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>95-3959553</u> 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>804-273-9777</u> 2d Business code (see instructions) <u>335200</u>

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

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

SIGN HERE	<u>Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.</u>	<u>10/05/2016</u>	<u>DANA SYKES</u>
	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

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3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ 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	578
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)	404
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2)	448
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....		6b	17
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits.....		6c	181
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d	646
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.....		6e	1
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f	647
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)		6g	645
h Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested		6h	18
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: 2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2S 2T 3H			
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) ☒ Trust		(3) ☒ 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		b General Schedules	
(1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information)		(1) ☒ H (Financial Information)	
(2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary		(2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan)	
(3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary		(3) ☐ A (Insurance Information)	
		(4) ☒ 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)
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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.

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 _____

<div>SCHEDULE C</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury</div> <div>Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor</div> <div>Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Service Provider Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2015
		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		
<div>A</div> Name of plan HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(K))	<div>B</div> Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	004
<div>C</div> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.	<div>D</div> Employer Identification Number (EIN) 95-3959553	

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a** Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions)..... ☒ Yes ☐ No
- b** If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
THE VANGUARD GROUP, INC.
23-1945930

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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?
64	NONE	2840	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)

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			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)

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

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

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

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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a Name:	b EIN:
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Explanation:

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):**c** EIN-PN**d** Entity
code**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or
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Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs)

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

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">2015</div> This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 95-3959553

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
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	Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b	Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
	(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	2015138	1828986
	(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
	(3) Other.....	1b(3)		
c	General investments:			
	(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
	(2) U.S. Government securities.....	1c(2)		
	(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
	(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
	(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)		
	(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
	(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
	(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
	(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
	(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
	(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
	(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	1062478	1178491
	(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)	17113470	19135238
	(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)	74113622	75318608
	(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
	(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	94304708	97461323

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 through 1j)	1k	0	0

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	94304708	97461323
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	2924572	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	2883915	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	1090791	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		6899278
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	42652	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		42652
(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)	3627233	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		3627233
(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)		352131
(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)		-3544505
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		7376789

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	4196985	
(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)		4196985
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		20349
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)	2840	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		2840
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		4220174

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		3156615
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) ☒ 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: CROWE HORWATH LLP

(2) EIN: 35-0921680

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.)		X		
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X		

	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.)		X		
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X		
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X			10000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X		
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X		
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X		
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X			
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)		X		
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X		
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X		
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		X		
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.				
o Did the plan trust incur unrelated business taxable income?				
p Were in-service distributions made during the plan year?				

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.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2015 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

A Name of plan <u>HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(K))</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>004</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>95-3959553</u>

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

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	<u>0</u>
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): <u>23-2186884</u>		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year.....	3	

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.			
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____			
If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.			
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (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
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.	☐ Increase	☐ Decrease	☐ Both	☐ No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under Section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes	☐ No
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes	☐ No
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes	☐ No
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes	☐ No

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

Schedule R (Form 5500) 2015
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Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete 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

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): _____

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
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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
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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

HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT
SAVINGS PLAN (401(k))
Richmond, Virginia

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(k))
Richmond, Virginia

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Plan Administrator
Hamilton Beach Brands, Inc.
Employees' Retirement Savings Plan (401(k))
Richmond, Virginia

Report on the Financial Statements

We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of the Hamilton Beach Brands, Inc. Employees' Retirement Savings Plan (401(k)) (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 audits 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 by Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing such 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 investment assets and executes investment 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.

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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.

Other Matter

The supplemental Schedule H, 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 purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. 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 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Crowe Horwath LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Crowe Horwath LLP

Columbus, Ohio
September 28, 2016

HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(k))
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
December 31, 2015 and 2014

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value (Note 2)	\$ 94,453,846	\$ 91,227,092
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	1,178,491	1,062,478
Employer contributions	<u>1,828,986</u>	<u>2,015,138</u>
Total receivables	<u>3,007,477</u>	<u>3,077,616</u>
 NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	 <u>\$ 97,461,323</u>	 <u>\$ 94,304,708</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(k))
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Year ended December 31, 2015

Additions to net assets attributed to:

Income from investments	
Dividends	\$ 3,627,233
Interest income from investments in collective trust	<u>352,131</u>
Total investment income	3,979,364
 Interest income on notes receivable from participants	 42,652
 Contributions	
Employer	2,924,572
Participant	2,883,915
Rollover	<u>1,090,791</u>
Total contributions	<u>6,899,278</u>
 Total additions	 10,921,294

Deductions from net assets attributed to:

Net depreciation in fair value of investments	3,544,505
Distribution to participants	4,217,334
Administrative expenses	<u>2,840</u>
Total deductions	<u>7,764,679</u>

Net increase 3,156,615

Net assets available for benefits

Beginning of year	<u>94,304,708</u>
 End of year	 <u>\$ 97,461,323</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(k))
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2015 and 2014

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the Hamilton Beach Brands, Inc. Employees' Retirement Savings Plan (401(k)) (the "Plan") provides only general information. Reference should be made to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General: The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all eligible employees of Hamilton Beach Brands, Inc. and Weston Brands, LLC (collectively the "Employers") who are carried on a U.S. payroll. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Plan Administration: The investments of the Plan are held in a trust at Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company (the "Trustee"). The Trustee performs investment management and recordkeeping responsibilities for the Plan.

Contributions: All employees on domestic payroll (other than interns) are eligible to participate in the Plan on their date of hire provided that they are not members of a collective bargaining unit, nonresident aliens, or leased employees.

Participants may make before-tax contributions to the Plan by means of a salary deferral agreement. Participants can contribute from 1% to 25% of their earnings, subject to certain limits that are set forth by the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). For employees hired on or after January 1, 2005, the Plan provides (i) automatic enrollment of eligible employees in the Plan with a 3% pre-tax deferral and (ii) an annual 1% increase in the amount of a participant's deferral percentage, up to 7%, unless, in either case, the employee elects to waive these procedures. The Plan allows participants who have attained age 50 by the end of the Plan year to make catch-up contributions in accordance with Code Section 414(v). The Employers make a safe harbor retirement contribution under the Plan equal to 3% of compensation for the plan year. Profit sharing contributions are made under an age-weighted, integrated contribution formula and consist of a minimum (or automatic) payment, and as warranted by business results, a performance-based "additional" amount.

Participants may direct their contributions and any related earnings into investment options in 1% increments. The Plan allows participants to change their investment elections daily.

Vesting: Participants' contributions, the Employers' pre-2005 matching contributions, pre-1992 profit sharing contributions, the safe harbor retirement contribution, and related earnings are fully vested. Post-1996 profit sharing contributions are subject to a five-year graded vesting schedule. Also, participants who reach age 55, die, become disabled or die while performing qualified military service while employed are fully vested in post-1996 profit sharing contributions regardless of service time with the Employers.

Benefits: Benefits equal to the vested value of the participant's account are payable upon retirement, termination, permanent disability, or death. Partial or full withdrawals of the participant's account balance are also available under certain circumstances as described in the Plan. Benefits are paid in the form of a lump-sum payment or installments.

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HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(k))
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2015 and 2014

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN (Continued)

Under the Plan, a participant who is an employee may, at any time, withdraw his or her frozen after-tax contributions and rollover contributions plus earnings on those contributions. Additionally, a participant who is an employee and who has attained age 59-1/2 may withdraw all or part of his or her before-tax, matching, and retirement contributions and earnings on those contributions. Before-tax contributions may be withdrawn by a currently employed participant only in the case of hardship as determined by the Administrative Committee. Other withdrawal provisions apply to certain participants, as required by law.

Forfeitures: Forfeitures of terminated participants' nonvested accounts are used to reduce future employer retirement contributions. At December 31, 2015 and 2014, forfeitures of \$33,865 and \$39,203, respectively, were available to reduce future contributions. Forfeitures applied against employer retirement contributions for the year ended December 31, 2015 were approximately \$38,207.

Notes Receivable from Participants: Participants may borrow up to lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance (excluding profit-sharing contributions) with a minimum note amount of \$1,000. Notes are repayable through payroll deductions. The repayment period is generally up to five years. However, if the note is for the purchase of a primary residence, the repayment period is up to 15 years. The interest rate is determined by the Administrative Committee based on prevailing market conditions and is fixed over the life of the note.

Participant Accounts: Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and allocations of (a) the Employers' contributions and (b) Plan earnings. Allocations are based on participant's earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's account.

Expenses: Certain administrative expenses of the Plan are paid by the Employers. Certain recordkeeping and trustee fees are paid by the Plan. Loan origination fees associated with the notes receivable from participants are included in the amount of the initial loan withdrawal. Investment management fees are charged to the Plan as a reduction of investment return and included in investment income (loss) reported by the Plan.

Plan Termination: Although the Company has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company reserves the right to discontinue contributions and terminate the Plan at any time subject to the provisions of ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). In the event of Plan termination, employees will become 100% vested in their account balances and the Plan's net assets would be distributed according to each participant's account balance.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting: The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual basis of accounting.

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HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC.
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(k))
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
December 31, 2015 and 2014

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Adoption of New Accounting Standards: In July 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) amended existing guidance related to the measurement, reporting and disclosure of fully benefit-responsive investment contracts (FBRICs), and in May and July 2015 the FASB amended various other disclosure requirements applicable to investments held by defined contribution pension plans. The new guidance requires FBRICs to be measured, presented, and disclosed only at contract value, and it clarifies that a plan's investments in stable value funds are not FBRICs and should be measured and presented only at fair value. The new guidance also eliminates or simplifies various disclosure requirements applicable to plan investments. Adoption of the new guidance resulted in removal of FBRICs and investments for which fair value is measured at net asset value (or its equivalent) from the fair value hierarchy, the reporting of investments within the fair value hierarchy by general type rather than by classes of investments, and other changes in investment disclosure requirements. The Plan elected to early adopt these standards, each of which requires retrospective application to all periods presented. The adoption of these standards had no effect on the Plan's net assets available for benefits or changes therein. However, the adjustment from fair value to contract value for fully benefit-responsive investments of \$525,336 was reclassified to Investments, at fair value as of December 31, 2014.

Use of Estimates: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties: The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, liquidity and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the sensitivity of certain fair value estimates to changes in valuation assumptions, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the fair 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 statements of net assets available for benefits.

Notes Receivable from Participants: Notes receivable from participants are recorded at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest, with no allowance for credit losses, as repayments of principal and interest are received through payroll deductions and the notes are collateralized by the participants.

Payment of Benefits: Benefits are recorded when paid.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition: The Plan's investments are reported at fair value. Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received by the Plan for an asset or paid by the Plan to transfer a liability (an exit price) in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date in the Plan's principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability. Fair value measurements are determined by maximizing the use of observable inputs and minimizing the use of unobservable inputs. The hierarchy places the highest priority on unadjusted quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and gives the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of inputs within the fair value hierarchy are defined as follows:

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

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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.

In some cases, a valuation technique used to measure fair value may include inputs from multiple levels of the fair value hierarchy. The lowest level of significant input determines the placement of the entire fair value measurement in the hierarchy.

The following describes the valuation methods and assumptions used by the Plan to estimate the fair values of investments.

Mutual Funds: The fair values of mutual fund investments are determined by obtaining quoted prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges (Level 1 inputs).

Collective Trust: The fair values of investments in collective trusts are based on the value per unit as published daily by the investment manager, and represent the net asset value of units held by the Plan at year end (Level 1 inputs).

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.

Investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below:

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2015, Using			
	<u>Total</u>	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
Mutual Funds	\$ 75,318,608	\$ 75,318,608	\$ -	\$ -
Collective trust	<u>19,135,238</u>	<u>19,135,238</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 94,453,846</u>	<u>\$ 94,453,846</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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	<u>Total</u>	<u>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)</u>	<u>Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)</u>	<u>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</u>
Mutual Funds	\$ 74,113,622	\$ 74,113,622	\$ -	\$ -
Collective trust	<u>17,113,470</u>	<u>17,113,470</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 91,227,092</u>	<u>\$ 91,227,092</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS AND NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTICIPANTS - UNAUDITED INFORMATION

Substantially all information pertaining to the Plan's investments and notes receivable from participants included in the financial statements, including the associated investment income and interest earned on notes receivable from participants, was obtained from information supplied to the Plan administrator and certified as complete and accurate by Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company, the Trustee of the Plan. This certified information has not been audited by independent accountants.

NOTE 4 - PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Parties-in-interest are defined under Department of Labor regulations as any fiduciary of the Plan, any party rendering service to the Plan, the employer, and certain others. Certain investments are shares of mutual funds managed by Vanguard Group, Inc. The Plan also invests in a collective trust fund managed by Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company. Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Vanguard Group, Inc. Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company is the Trustee, as defined by the Plan; therefore, these investments and investment transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. The Plan also had notes receivable from participants at December 31, 2015 and 2014 which constitute party-in-interest transactions. The Plan paid fees to the Vanguard Group, Inc. totaling \$2,840. However, these investments and transactions are not considered prohibited transactions.

NOTE 5 - INCOME TAX STATUS

The Plan has received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service dated January 15, 2014, stating that the Plan is qualified under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and, therefore, the related trust is exempt from taxation. Subsequent to the issuance of the determination letter, the Plan was amended. Once qualified, the Plan is required to operate in conformity with the Code to maintain its qualification. The Plan administrator believes the Plan is designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code and, therefore, believes that the Plan, as amended, is qualified and the related trust is tax exempt.

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NOTE 5 - INCOME TAX STATUS (Continued)

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan. The Plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The Plan administrator believes the Plan is no longer subject to federal income tax examinations for years prior to 2012.

NOTE 6 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan was restated effective January 1, 2016 to allow for Roth after-tax contributions, conversions and withdrawals. In addition, participants can receive distributions as guided installment payments and may accelerate and decelerate installments and take post-termination withdrawals. Starting January 1, 2016, recordkeeping expenses are paid by Plan participants.

Plan management has evaluated subsequent events for recognition and disclosure through September 28, 2016, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

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		<u>Collective Fund</u>		
*	Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Company	Vanguard Retirement Savings Trust Portfolio IV	#	\$ 19,135,238
		<u>Mutual Funds</u>		
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*	Notes Receivable from Participants	Interest rates from 3.75% to 8.75% with various maturity dates		<u>1,178,491</u>
				<u>\$ 95,632,337</u>

Participant-directed investment. Cost is not required to be disclosed.

* Denotes party in interest.

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Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6047(e), 6057(b), and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 <div style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">2015</div> This Form Is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I Annual Report Identification Information	
For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2015</u> and ending <u>12/31/2015</u>	
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 HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN (401(k))	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: center;">004</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">1c Effective date of plan 11/01/1983</td> </tr> </table>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	004	1c Effective date of plan 11/01/1983	
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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) HAMILTON BEACH BRANDS, INC. C/O CATHY PALMER 4421 WATERFRONT DRIVE GLENN ALLEN VA 23060	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 95-3959553</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 804-273-9777</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2d Business code (see instructions) 335200</td> </tr> </table>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 95-3959553	2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 804-273-9777	2d Business code (see instructions) 335200	
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Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

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

SIGN HERE	 Signature of plan administrator	<u>10/5/10</u> Date	Dana Sykes Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	 Signature of employer/plan sponsor	<u>10/5/10</u> Date	Dana Sykes 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 _____

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3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor		3b Administrator's EIN	
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	578
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)	404
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2)	448
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....		6b	17
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits.....		6c	181
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c.		6d	646
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.....		6e	1
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e.		6f	647
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item).....		6g	645
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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: 2A 2E 2F 2G 2J 2S 2T 3H			
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)			
a Pension Schedules		b General Schedules	
(1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information)	(2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(1) ☒ H (Financial Information)	(2) ☐ I (Financial Information - Small Plan)
(3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary		(3) ☐ A (Insurance Information)	(4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information)
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