Form 5500

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6047(e), 6057(b), and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

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

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Part I Annual Report Identification Information

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

A This return/report is for:
- [ ] a multiemployer plan;
- [ ] a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions); or
- [X] a single-employer plan;
- [ ] a DFE (specify) ____

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

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

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

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information

1a Name of plan
THIRTY FIFTEEN EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1994

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)
THE BERKLEY GROUP INC.

SUN TRUST BUILDING 2626 E OAKLAND
PARK BLVD. 5TH FLOOR
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33306

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
59-2170299

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number
954-563-2444

2d Business code (see instructions)
531390

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/13/2016	MARC LANDAU
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/13/2016	MARC LANDAU
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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

Preparer's telephone number

3a Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor	**3b** Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the name, EIN and the plan number from the last return/report:	**4b** EIN	59-2170299
a Sponsor's name THE BERKLEY GROUP INC.	**4c** PN	001
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	6555
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)**	5244
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	6783
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	531
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	722
d Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	8036
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	20
f Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	8056
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	8029
h Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	1770
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:
2C 2I 2P 2Q 3H 3I

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)

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

9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

- **(1)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- **(3)** [ ] 0 **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)**

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

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code_____

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
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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.**

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A Name of plan
THIRTY FIFTEEN EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
THE BERKLEY GROUP INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
59-2170299

Part I Asset and Liability Statement

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	38970	46347
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	4226984	5091814
(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)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d Employer-related investments:			
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	532101245	496338893
(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	536367199	501477054
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	167452	36362
h Operating payables	1h	13683	21154
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	18890636	13172629
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	19071771	13230145
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	517295428	488246909

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)	6720832	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)		
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	5091814	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		11812646
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)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		0
(2) Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		0
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: **(A)** Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	-1465685	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines **2b(5)(A)** and **(B)**	2b(5)(C)		-1465685

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		10346961
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	38616000	
(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)		38616000
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		779480
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)		
(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)		0
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		39395480
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		-29048519
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) [X] 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 [X] No

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

(1) Name: HANTZMON WEIBEL LLP **(2)** EIN: 54-0618213

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)** [X] It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

		Yes	No	N/A	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)	4a		X		
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)	4b		X		

			Yes	No	N/A	Amount
c	Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	4c		X		
d	Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	4d		X		
e	Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X			1300000
f	Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X		
g	Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4g		X		
h	Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4h		X		
i	Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4i	X			
j	Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4j		X		
k	Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4k		X		
l	Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X		
m	If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m		X		
n	If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	4n				
o	Did the plan trust incur unrelated business taxable income?	4o				
p	Were in-service distributions made during the plan year?	4p				

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

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

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

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

Part V Trust Information

6a Name of trust

6b Trust's EIN

6c Name of trustee or custodian

6d Trustee's or custodian's telephone number

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)

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Retirement Plan Information

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A Name of plan
THIRTY FIFTEEN EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
THE BERKLEY GROUP INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
59-2170299

Part I Distributions

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

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

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

EIN(s): 65-0508509

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	270

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

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

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

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

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

6 a	Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a	11812647
b	Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b	11812647
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	0

If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.

7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Part III Amendments

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

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(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
Stock: 0.0% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%

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

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

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

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

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

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

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

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

THIRTY FIFTEEN EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

FINANCIAL REPORT
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

THIRTY FIFTEEN EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

To the Trustees of
Thirty Fifteen Employee
Stock Ownership Plan
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of THIRTY FIFTEEN EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN, which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2015, and 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 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.

To the Trustees of
Thirty Fifteen Employee
Stock Ownership Plan

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS--(Cont'd)

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 supplementary schedule of assets (held at end of year) is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is 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.

Hantzmon Wiebel LLP

Charlottesville, Virginia
October 10, 2016

THIRTY FIFTEEN
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

	2015			2014		
	ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED	TOTAL	ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED	TOTAL
ASSETS						
Investment in employer common stock at estimated fair value	$470,552,283	$ 25,786,610	$496,338,893	$493,941,132	$ 38,160,113	$532,101,245
Employer stock contribution receivable	5,091,814	....	5,091,814	4,226,984	....	4,226,984
Cash	46,347	....	46,347	38,970	....	38,970
Total assets	475,690,444	25,786,610	501,477,054	498,207,086	38,160,113	536,367,199
LIABILITIES						
Loans payable	....	13,172,629	13,172,629	....	18,890,636	18,890,636
Other payable	21,154	....	21,154	13,683	....	13,683
Total liabilities	21,154	13,172,629	13,193,783	13,683	18,890,636	18,904,319
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	$475,669,290	$ 12,613,981	$488,283,271	$498,193,403	$ 19,269,477	$517,462,880

(The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements)

THIRTY FIFTEEN
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015

	ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED	TOTAL
ADDITIONS			
Employer cash contributions	$ 223,345	$ 6,497,487	$ 6,720,832
Employer stock contributions	5,091,814	....	5,091,814
Allocation of employer shares of common stock, at estimated fair value (26,822 shares)	12,297,350	....	12,297,350
Net unrealized depreciation in fair value of employer stock	(1,389,532)	(76,153)	(1,465,685)
Total additions	16,222,977	6,421,334	22,644,311
DEDUCTIONS			
Interest expense	....	779,480	779,480
Benefits paid to participants	38,747,090	....	38,747,090
Allocation of employer shares of common stock, at estimated fair value (26,822 shares)	....	12,297,350	12,297,350
Total deductions	38,747,090	13,076,830	51,823,920
NET DECREASE IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	(22,524,113)	(6,655,496)	(29,179,609)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS			
Beginning of year	498,193,403	19,269,477	517,462,880
End of year	$475,669,290	$ 12,613,981	$488,283,271

(The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements)

THIRTY FIFTEEN
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PLAN DESCRIPTION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The following brief description of the Thirty Fifteen Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("the Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document and Plan amendments for complete information.

General

The Berkley Group, Inc. ("the Company") established the Plan effective as of January 1, 1994. Effective as of January 1, 1999, the Plan is a combination stock bonus plan and money purchase plan. The purpose of the Plan is to invest in Company stock to increase the financial security of employees and to provide retirement benefits for them.

The Plan, since its inception, has been designed to comply with Sections 401(a), 409, and 4975(e)(7) and the regulations thereunder of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (Code), and is subject to the applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA). The Plan is administered by the Trustees of the Plan comprised of certain principal members of management of the Company.

The Plan purchased common stock from an individual shareholder using the proceeds of borrowings from the Company and the shareholder and holds the stock in a trust established under the Plan. The borrowings are to be repaid by fully-deductible Company contributions to the trust fund. As the Plan makes each payment of principal and interest, an appropriate percentage of stock will be allocated to eligible employees' accounts in accordance with applicable regulations under the Code.

The borrowings are collateralized by the unallocated shares of stock. The lender has no rights against shares once they are allocated under the Plan. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Plan as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and for the year ended December 31, 2015, present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to:

(a) the accounts of employees with vested rights in allocated common stock (Allocated); and
(b) common stock not yet allocated to employees (Unallocated).

Eligibility

An employee becomes a participant in the Plan upon completing one hour of service. All employees on January 1, 1994, the effective date of the Plan, became participants. An employee remains a participant until retirement, death, or termination of employment.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

PLAN DESCRIPTION--(Cont'd)

Employer Contributions

The Company is obligated to make contributions in cash to the Plan, which when aggregated with the Plan's earnings, equal the amount necessary to enable the Plan to make its regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest due on its term loans. At a minimum, the Company contributes an amount equal to 10% of all participants' eligible compensation for the Plan year. Also, the Board of Directors may, at its discretion, contribute an amount to the Plan in either Company stock or cash.

Payment of Benefits

Distributions on account of death, disability, or retirement are made according to the terms in the Plan document. Distributions for other separations from service commence in the fifth plan year following the separation from service and are generally made in five annual installments according to the terms in the Plan document. In-service distributions are allowed under the terms of the Plan document. The amount to be distributed is based upon the immediately preceding valuation date. Distributions are made in cash or in the form of Company common stock plus cash for any fractional share of common stock.

Under the provisions of the Plan, the Company is obligated to repurchase participant shares, which have been distributed under the terms of the Plan if the shares are not publicly traded or if the shares are subject to trading limitations.

Administrative Expenses

The Company has historically paid the operating expenses for the Plan and will not be reimbursed by the Plan.

Voting Rights

Each participant is entitled to exercise voting rights attributable to the shares allocated to his or her account and is notified by the Trustee prior to the time that such rights are to be exercised. The Trustee is not permitted to vote any allocated share for which instructions have not been given by a participant. The Trustee is required, however, to vote any unallocated shares on behalf of the collective best interest of Plan participants and beneficiaries.

Participant Accounts

The Plan is a defined contribution plan under which a separate individual account is established for each participant. Each participant's account is credited as of the last day of each Plan year with an allocation of shares of the Company's stock released by the Trustee from the unallocated account, forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested amounts, employer contributions, and Plan earnings. Allocations are based on a participant's eligible compensation, relative to total eligible compensation. Plan earnings are allocated to each participant's account based on the ratio of the participant's account balance.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

PLAN DESCRIPTION--(Cont'd)

Vesting

If a participant's employment with the Company ends for any reason other than retirement, permanent disability, or death, he or she will vest in the balances in his or her account based on total years of service with the Company. Participants are 100% vested after seven years of service.

Put Option

Under Federal income tax regulations, the employer stock that is held by the Plan and its participants and is not readily tradable on an established market, or is subject to trading limitations, includes a put option. The put option is a right to demand that the Company buy any shares of its stock distributed to participants for which there is no market. The put price is representative of the fair market value of the stock. The Company can pay for the purchase over a period of five years as set forth in the Plan. The purpose of the put option is to ensure that the participant has the ability to ultimately obtain cash.

Diversification

Diversification is offered to participants close to retirement so that they may have the opportunity to move part of the value of their investment in Company stock into investments which are more diversified. Participants who are at least 55 years of age with at least 10 years of participation in the Plan may elect to diversify a portion of their account. Participants should refer to the Plan Agreement for more complete information.

Forfeitures

The non-vested portion of the account balance of a terminated employee with a vested balance exceeding $5,000 remains in that individual's account for a period of five years following the end of the year of termination. If, after those five years, the individual is not re-employed, the non-vested amounts are forfeited and reallocated to active participants.

The non-vested portion of the account balance of a terminated employee with a vested balance below $5,000 remains in that individual's account for a period of one year following the end of the year of termination. If, after that year, the individual is not re-employed, the non-vested amounts are forfeited and reallocated to active participants.

The non-vested portion of account balances of terminated employees without any vested interest is forfeited and reallocated to active participants at the close of the year of termination based on relative compensation.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Forfeitures--(Cont'd)

During the year ended December 31, 2015, 14,998 shares of Company stock and $12,770 in cash were forfeited from the accounts of terminated participants. These forfeitures were first used to restore the previously forfeited balances of participants rehired during the Plan year and to make prior year adjustments.

All forfeited accounts have been reallocated to active participants in accordance with Plan provisions.

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with U. S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates include the fair value of the employer common stock.

Allocations

The financial statements of the Plan present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to (a) the accounts of employees with rights in allocated stock ("allocated") and (b) stock not yet allocated to employees ("unallocated"), including shares that are committed to be released. Shares are released from collateral and become allocated generally in the period in which debt service is actually paid.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The shares of Company common stock are reported at fair value. See the **FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS** note.

Subsequent Events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through October 10, 2016, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

CASH

The Plan maintains a cash balance in the form of a checking account. Non-insured amounts are subject to risk of loss.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

INVESTMENT IN STOCK

The Plan's investment in Company common shares at December 31 is as follows:

	2015		2014	
	ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED	ALLOCATED	UNALLOCATED
Number of shares.....	1,040,421	56,410	1,086,199	83,232
Cost.....	$ 90,550,267	$ 9,305,524	$ 84,814,263	$ 13,654,330
Estimated fair value (including stock receivable).....	$475,644,097	$ 25,786,610	$498,168,116	$ 38,160,113

FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value 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) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under Topic 820 are described as follows:

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

Level 2 Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

Quoted market prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;

Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;

Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;

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 that are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based upon 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.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS--(Cont'd)

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

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	TOTAL
Company common stock	$ ….	$ ….	$496,338,893	$496,338,893

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

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	TOTAL
Company common stock	$ ….	$ ….	$532,101,245	$532,101,245

The following table sets forth a summary of changes in the fair value of the Plan's Level 3 assets for the year ended December 31, 2015:

	LEVEL 3 ASSETS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015 COMPANY COMMON STOCK
Balance, beginning of the year	$532,101,245
Stock contribution receivable - 12/31/14	4,226,984
Shares distributed to participants (83,739 shares)	(38,523,651)
Unrealized depreciation in estimated fair value	(1,465,685)
Balance, end of year	$496,338,893
The amount of total loss for the period included in changes in net assets attributable to the change in unrealized loss relating to assets still held at the reporting date	($ 1,465,685)

Gains and losses (realized and unrealized) included in changes in net assets for the period above are reported in net depreciation in fair value of company stock in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits.

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

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS--(Cont'd)

The Company common stock held by the Plan is reported at fair value based upon an independent appraisal. This appraisal was based upon a combination of the market and income valuation techniques consistent with prior years as illustrated in the following table.

Instrument	*Fair Value*	*Principal Valuation Technique*	*Unobservable Inputs*
The Berkley Group, Inc. common stock	$496,338,893	Income	EBITDA Net income Weighted Average cost of capital Discount rate Discount for lack of marketability
		Market	Public Comparables Revenue multiple EBITA multiple Discount for lack of marketability

The valuation process involves Plan management's selection of an independent appraiser, with the right to cancel such contract at any time. Plan management accumulates the data for the appraiser from historical and projected financial information of the Company. The appraiser prepares a preliminary report, which Plan management and trustees review in detail, discuss, and approve.

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

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

LOANS PAYABLE

At December 31, loans payable consisted of the following:

TERM NOTES	2015	2014
On July 1, 2008, a note payable to an individual was assigned to the parent company. The note with the parent company states a fixed annual interest rate of 4.6% to be computed on a 360-day year based on the actual number of days outstanding. Fixed payments of principal in the amount of $1,085,129 plus outstanding interest are payable on the last day of September, December, March, and June of each year. Any unpaid principal and interest is due on June 30, 2018.....	$11,137,777	$15,478,294
On July 25, 2006, the Plan entered into a $6,275,850 term loan agreement with the parent company. The proceeds were used to repay the remaining indebtedness of a loan dated December 31, 2001. The agreement provides for principal payments in the amount of $149,425 plus interest at an annual rate of 4.6% on the outstanding balance to be made in equal quarterly installments on the last day of March, June, September, and December of each year, which began on September 30, 2006, and will end on December 31, 2016.....	555,741	1,153,441
On July 25, 2006, the Plan entered into an $8,943,805 term loan agreement with the parent company. The proceeds were used to repay the remaining indebtedness of a loan dated January 3, 2003. The agreement provides for principal payments in the amount of $194,948 plus interest at an annual rate of 4.6% on the outstanding balance to be made in equal quarterly installments on the last day of March, June, September, and December of each year, which began on September 30, 2006, and will end on December 31, 2017.....	1,479,111	2,258,901
Total.....	$13,172,629	$18,890,636,

Maturities of the principal balances of the term notes payable over the next five years and thereafter are as follows:

2016	$ 5,676,049
2017	5,039,835
2018	2,456,745
	$13,172,629

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

The employer made a cash contribution of $6,720,832 and a stock contribution of $5,091,814 for the Plan year ended December 31, 2015. This contribution includes $6,497,487 used to pay interest and principal on the term loans and an annual contribution of $5,315,159. All of the contributions were allocated as a 10% money purchase contribution per the Plan document based on the total eligible compensation of the Plan.

RELATED-PARTY AND PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Plan investments are shares of The Berkley Group, Inc. common stock. The Berkley Group, Inc. is the Plan Sponsor and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. The Plan has a number of service providers. Such providers are parties in interest under ERISA.

RISK AND UNCERTAINITIES

The Plan investments consist primarily of the Company's common stock, which is exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risk, as well as valuation assumptions based on earnings, cash flows, and/or other such techniques. Due to the level of risk associated with the investment in the common stock and to uncertainties inherent in the estimations and assumptions process, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of the common stock will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

PLAN TERMINATION

The Company reserves the right to terminate the Plan at any time, subject to Plan provisions. Upon termination of the Plan, the Employee Benefits Administration Committee directs the Trustee to pay all liabilities and expenses of the ESOP and to sell shares of financed common stock held as collateral to the extent it determines such sale to be necessary in order to repay the loan. Subsequently, the interest of each participant in the trust fund will be distributed to such participant or his or her beneficiary at the time prescribed by the Plan terms and the IRC.

TAX STATUS

The Plan has received a determination letter from the IRS dated April 20, 2015, stating that the Plan is qualified, under the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) and, therefore, the related trust is exempt from taxation. Once qualified, the Plan is required to operate in conformity with the IRC to maintain its qualification. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed, and being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, they believe that the Plan was qualified, and the related trust was tax-exempt as of the financial statement date.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS--(Cont'd)

RECONCILIATION TO THE FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements at December 31, 2015 to the Form 5500:

	2015	2014
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	$488,283,271	$517,462,880
Less: Benefits payable	(36,362)	(167,452)
Net assets available for benefit per the Form 5500	$488,246,909	$517,295,428

The following is a reconciliation of the changes in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements at December 31, 2015 to the Form 5500:

Net change in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	($ 29,179,609)
Add: 2014 Benefits payable	167,452
Less: 2015 Benefits payable	(36,362)
Net decrease per Form 5500	($ 29,048,519)

SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE

Financial Schedules

Attach to Schedule H

2015

For calendar plan year 2015

Name of Plan Sponsor as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 The Berkley Group, Inc.

Employer identification number **59-2170299**

Name of Plan Thirty Fifteen Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Three-digit Plan Number **001**

Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) --- See Schedule H, Item 4i.

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
*	The Berkley Group, Inc.	1,096,831 shares of common stock	99,855,791	501,430,707

Financial Schedules

Attach to Schedule H

2015

For calendar plan year 2015

Name of Plan Sponsor as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 The Berkley Group, Inc.

Employer identification number **59-2170299**

Name of Plan Thirty Fifteen Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Three-digit Plan Number **001**

Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) --- See Schedule H, Item 4i.

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
*	The Berkley Group, Inc.	1,096,831 shares of common stock	99,855,791	501,430,707