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
OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN & TRUST

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

1c Effective date of plan 01/01/1988

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)
OLYMPIC STEEL, INC.

22901 MILLCREEK BOULEVARD
STE 650
HIGHLAND HILLS, OH 44122

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-1245650

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number 216-292-3800

2d Business code (see instructions) 331200

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.	10/14/2016	RICHARD MANSON
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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

Preparer's telephone number

3a	Plan administrator's name and address [X] Same as Plan Sponsor	**3b**	Administrator's EIN
		3c	Administrator's telephone number
4	If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the name, EIN and the plan number from the last return/report:	**4b**	EIN
a	Sponsor's name	**4c**	PN

5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	1379
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)**	1160
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	1113
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	1
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	181
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**.	**6d**	1295
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**.	**6f**	1295
g	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	1065
h	Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	96
7	Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	**7**	

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 2T 3D 3H

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
4B

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

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

a Pension Schedules

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

b General Schedules

- **(1)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
- **(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- **(3)** [X] 3 **A** (Insurance Information)
- **(4)** [X] **C** (Service Provider Information)
- **(5)** [X] **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 A (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
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Insurance Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

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

▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).

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B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
34-1245650

Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions

Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
VOYA FINANCIAL - RELIASTAR LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
41-0451170	67105	PT 8229/8128	38	01/01/2015	12/31/2015

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
342	

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

JOHN CORSI
144 EAST DECKER DR.
SEVEN HILLS, OH 44131

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	**4**	
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end	**5**	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b	Premiums paid to carrier	**6b**	22114
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	**6c**	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.	**6d**	

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) [X] individual policies (2) [ ] group deferred annuity

(3) [ ] other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ [ ]

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) [ ] deposit administration (2) [ ] immediate participation guarantee

(3) [ ] guaranteed investment (4) [ ] other ▶

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			**7b**	
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	**7c(1)**			
	(2) Dividends and credits	**7c(2)**			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	**7c(3)**			
	(4) Transferred from separate account	**7c(4)**			
	(5) Other (specify below)	**7c(5)**			
	▶				
	(6) Total additions			**7c(6)**	
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			**7d**	
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	**7e(1)**			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	**7e(2)**			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	**7e(3)**			
	(4) Other (specify below)	**7e(4)**			
	▶				
	(5) Total deductions			**7e(5)**	
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)			**7f**	

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

a ☐ Health (other than dental or vision) **b** ☐ Dental **c** ☐ Vision **d** ☐ Life insurance

e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness) **f** ☐ Long-term disability **g** ☐ Supplemental unemployment **h** ☐ Prescription drug

i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible) **j** ☐ HMO contract **k** ☐ PPO contract **l** ☐ Indemnity contract

m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:				
a Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**			
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
(4) Earned (**(1)** + **(2)** - **(3)**)			**9a(4)**	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	**9b(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	**9b(2)**			
(3) Incurred claims (add **(1)** and **(2)**)			**9b(3)**	
(4) Claims charged			**9b(4)**	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --				
(A) Commissions	**9c(1)(A)**			
(B) Administrative service or other fees	**9c(1)(B)**			
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	**9c(1)(C)**			
(D) Other expenses	**9c(1)(D)**			
(E) Taxes	**9c(1)(E)**			
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	**9c(1)(F)**			
(G) Other retention charges	**9c(1)(G)**			
(H) Total retention			**9c(1)(H)**	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			**9c(2)**	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			**9d(1)**	
(2) Claim reserves			**9d(2)**	
(3) Other reserves			**9d(3)**	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			**9e**	
10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:				
a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier			**10a**	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.			**10b**	

Specify nature of costs ▶

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? ☐ Yes ☒ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

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OLYMPIC STEEL, INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
34-1245650

Part I **Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions** Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
LINCOLN FINANCIAL GROUP

(b) EIN	**(c)** NAIC code	**(d)** Contract or identification number	**(e)** Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	**(g)** To
35-0472300	65676	070928	1	01/01/2015	12/31/2015

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	**(b)** Total amount of fees paid

3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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	(c) Amount	**(d)** Purpose	

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4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	**4**	
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end	**5**	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b	Premiums paid to carrier	**6b**	569
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	**6c**	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.	**6d**	

Specify nature of costs ▶

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(3) [ ] other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ [ ]

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) [ ] deposit administration (2) [ ] immediate participation guarantee

(3) [ ] guaranteed investment (4) [ ] other ▶

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			**7b**	
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	**7c(1)**			
	(2) Dividends and credits	**7c(2)**			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	**7c(3)**			
	(4) Transferred from separate account	**7c(4)**			
	(5) Other (specify below)	**7c(5)**			
	▶				
	(6) Total additions			**7c(6)**	
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			**7d**	
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	**7e(1)**			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	**7e(2)**			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	**7e(3)**			
	(4) Other (specify below)	**7e(4)**			
	▶				
	(5) Total deductions			**7e(5)**	
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)			**7f**	

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(B) Administrative service or other fees	**9c(1)(B)**			
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	**9c(1)(C)**			
(D) Other expenses	**9c(1)(D)**			
(E) Taxes	**9c(1)(E)**			
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	**9c(1)(F)**			
(G) Other retention charges	**9c(1)(G)**			
(H) Total retention			**9c(1)(H)**	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			**9c(2)**	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			**9d(1)**	
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e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			**9e**	
10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:				
a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier			**10a**	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.			**10b**	

Specify nature of costs ▶

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? ☐ Yes ☒ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

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PACIFIC LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
95-1079000	67466	VF502	4	01/01/2015	12/31/2015

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

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6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b	Premiums paid to carrier	**6b**	4614
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	**6c**	
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount.	**6d**	

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) [X] individual policies (2) [ ] group deferred annuity

(3) [ ] other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ [ ]

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) [ ] deposit administration (2) [ ] immediate participation guarantee

(3) [ ] guaranteed investment (4) [ ] other ▶

b	Balance at the end of the previous year			**7b**	
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	**7c(1)**			
	(2) Dividends and credits	**7c(2)**			
	(3) Interest credited during the year	**7c(3)**			
	(4) Transferred from separate account	**7c(4)**			
	(5) Other (specify below)	**7c(5)**			
	▶				
	(6) Total additions			**7c(6)**	
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**).			**7d**	
e	Deductions:				
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	**7e(1)**			
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier	**7e(2)**			
	(3) Transferred to separate account	**7e(3)**			
	(4) Other (specify below)	**7e(4)**			
	▶				
	(5) Total deductions			**7e(5)**	
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)			**7f**	

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

a ☐ Health (other than dental or vision) **b** ☐ Dental **c** ☐ Vision **d** ☐ Life insurance

e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness) **f** ☐ Long-term disability **g** ☐ Supplemental unemployment **h** ☐ Prescription drug

i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible) **j** ☐ HMO contract **k** ☐ PPO contract **l** ☐ Indemnity contract

m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:				
a Premiums: (1) Amount received	**9a(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	**9a(2)**			
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	**9a(3)**			
(4) Earned (**(1)** + **(2)** - **(3)**)			**9a(4)**	
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	**9b(1)**			
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	**9b(2)**			
(3) Incurred claims (add **(1)** and **(2)**)			**9b(3)**	
(4) Claims charged			**9b(4)**	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --				
(A) Commissions	**9c(1)(A)**			
(B) Administrative service or other fees	**9c(1)(B)**			
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	**9c(1)(C)**			
(D) Other expenses	**9c(1)(D)**			
(E) Taxes	**9c(1)(E)**			
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	**9c(1)(F)**			
(G) Other retention charges	**9c(1)(G)**			
(H) Total retention			**9c(1)(H)**	
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)			**9c(2)**	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement			**9d(1)**	
(2) Claim reserves			**9d(2)**	
(3) Other reserves			**9d(3)**	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line **9c(2)**.)			**9e**	
10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:				
a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier			**10a**	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.			**10b**	

Specify nature of costs ▶

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? ☐ Yes ☒ No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

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

A Name of plan
OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN & TRUST

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
34-1245650

Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

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

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

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

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

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

NOBLE-DAVIS CONSULTING, INC.

30275 BAINBRIDGE ROAD
SUITE B
SOLON, OH 44139

34-1723189

(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?
13	THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR	104787	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [ ] No [X]	65208	Yes [ ] No [X]

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

MID ATLANTIC TRUST COMPANY

1251 WATERFRONT PLACE
SUITE 525
PITTSBURGH, PA 15222

26-0010549

(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?
19	CUSTODIAN	0	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [ ] No [X]	33344	Yes [ ] No [X]

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

R. W. BAIRD & CO., INC.

200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 1650
CLEVELAND, OH 44114

39-6037917

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	0	Yes [X] No [ ]	Yes [X] No [ ]	125976	Yes [X] 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)

THORNHILL FINANCIAL, INC.

18400 PEARL ROAD
STRONGSVILLE, OH 44136

34-1818419

(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?
10	AUDITOR	13433	Yes [ ] No [X]	Yes [ ] No [X]	0	Yes [ ] No [X]

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

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

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

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

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
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name: THORNHILL FINANCIAL, INC

b EIN: 34-1818419

c Position: AUDITOR

d Address: 18400 PEARL ROAD
STRONGSVILLE, OH 44136

e Telephone: 440-238-0445

Explanation: THE CHANGE WAS PRECIPITATED BY THE PRIOR ACCOUNTANT IN AN EFFORT TO CULL CLIENTS THAT WERE NOT IN LINE WITH THEIR PROPOSED BILLING STRUCTURE GOING FORWARD. THERE WERE NO MATERIAL DISPUTES OR MATTERS OF DISAGREEMENT CONCERNING THE TERMINATION.

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

d Address:

e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:

b EIN:

c Position:

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e Telephone:

Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

DFE/Participating Plan Information

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2015

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A Name of plan
OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN & TRUST

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
34-1245650

Part I **Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs)**
(Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: METLIFE SERIES 25053

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): METLIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

c EIN-PN	**d** Entity code	**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
58-1428634-008	C	9563261

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

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

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

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

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

a Plan name

b Name of plan sponsor	**c** EIN-PN

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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Financial Information

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OLYMPIC STEEL, INC.

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

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	158518	153262
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	98684	118040
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	203984	231254
(3) Other	1b(3)	10000	1500
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	14717	7018
(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)	1393233	1676953
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	9744610	9563261
(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)	44466403	41740653
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)	596792	399770

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d Employer-related investments:			
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	56686941	53891711
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g	290	
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j	17731	1600
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	1k	18021	1600
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	56668920	53890111

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)	908139	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	2844472	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	147972	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	2a(3)		3900583
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)	52392	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	2075	
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	2b(1)(G)		54467
(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)	516805	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	2b(2)(D)		516805
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	102500	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	92079	
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	2b(4)(C)		10421
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: **(A)** Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	58756	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines **2b(5)(A)** and **(B)**	2b(5)(C)		58756

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		-135398
(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)		-102733
c Other income	2c		22323
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		4325224
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	6867445	
(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)		6867445
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		101079
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		24792
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)	14408	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	104787	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(4)**	2i(5)		119195
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		7112511
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		-2787287
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		8478
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: WALTHALL LLP **(2)** EIN: 34-0644631

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) [ ] This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. **(2)** [ ] It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

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

During the plan year:

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

		Yes	No	N/A	Amount
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)	4c		X		
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)	4d		X		
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	4e	X			500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?	4f		X		
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4g		X		
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	4h		X		
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4i	X			
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	4j		X		
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	4k		X		
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	4l		X		
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	4m		X		
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	4n				
o Did the plan trust incur unrelated business taxable income?	4o				
p Were in-service distributions made during the plan year?	4p				

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

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

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

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

Part V Trust Information

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

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Retirement Plan Information

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

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

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

A Name of plan
OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN & TRUST

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 003

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

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
34-1245650

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): 27-3169253

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

6 **a** Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived) **6a**

b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year **6b**

c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount) **6c**

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

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

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

Part III Amendments

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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

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a Name of contributing employer

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

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

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

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

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

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

OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. EMPLOYEES'401(k) RETIREMENT PLAN AND TRUST

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

WITH SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

October 11, 2016

To the Plan Administrator
Olympic Steel, Inc. Employees 401(k) Retirement Plan and Trust
Highland Heights, Ohio

Report on the Financial Statements

We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of Olympic Steel, Inc. Employees 401(k) Retirement Plan and Trust ("the Plan"), which comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2015, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, 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.

Auditors' Responsibility

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

Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion

As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's ("DOL") Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), the plan administrator instructed us not to perform, and we did not perform, any auditing procedures with respect to the information summarized in Note 4, which was certified by Mid Atlantic Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing the 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 a certification from the trustee as of and for the year ended December 31, 2015, that the information provided to the plan administrator by the trustee is complete and accurate.

Disclaimer of Opinion

Because of the significance of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on the 2015 financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the accompanying 2015 financial statements.

Other Matters

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2015 is required by DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, is presented for the purpose 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.

The financial statements of the plan as of December 31, 2014 were audited by predecessor auditors. As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA, the plan administrator instructed the predecessor auditors not to perform, and they did not perform any auditing procedures with respect to the information certified by the trustee. Their report, dated September 23, 2015 indicated that (a) because of the significance of the information that they did not audit, they were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion and accordingly, they did not express an opinion on the financial statements and (b) the form and content of the information included in the financial statements other than that derived from the information certified by the trustee, were presented in compliance with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Report on Form and Content in Compliance with DOL Rules and Regulations

The form and content of the information included in the 2015 financial statements and supplemental schedule, other than that derived from the information certified by the trustee, has 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 DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Walthall, LLP

Certified Public Accountants

OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 153,262	$ 158,518
Investments, at fair value:		
Participant-directed investments	50,586,772	53,404,068
Nonparticipant-directed investments	1,133,556	1,418,454
	51,720,328	54,822,522
Receivables:		
Participant contributions	231,254	203,984
Employer contributions	118,040	98,684
Notes receivable from participants	1,676,953	1,393,233
Miscellaneous receivables	1,500	-
	2,027,747	1,695,901
Total Assets	53,901,337	56,676,941
Liabilities		
Refunds due of participant contributions	60,539	110,378
Miscellaneous payables	1,600	8,021
Total Liabilities	62,139	118,399
Net Assets Available for Benefits at Fair Value	53,839,198	56,558,542
Adjustment from fair value to contract value for interest in collective trust relating to fully benefit-responsive investment contract	(9,626)	(321,527)
Net Assets Available for Benefits	**$ 53,829,572**	**$ 56,237,015**

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

Statements of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Additions to Net Assets Attributed to		
Investment income:		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$ 174,896	$ 2,495,272
Dividend and Interest income	518,880	460,610
	693,776	2,955,882
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	52,392	44,510
Contributions:		
Participant	2,844,472	2,954,640
Employer	908,139	905,746
Rollover	147,972	173,294
Miscellaneous	8,478	-
	3,909,061	4,033,680
Total additions	4,655,229	7,034,072
Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to		
Benefits paid to participants	6,916,180	8,348,062
Administrative expenses	119,195	100,652
Insurance premiums	27,297	28,468
Total deductions	7,062,672	8,477,182
Net Decrease	(2,407,443)	(1,443,110)
Net Assets Available for Benefits		
Beginning of year	56,237,015	57,680,125
End of year	**$ 53,829,572**	**$ 56,237,015**

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Note 1 - Plan Description

The following brief description of Olympic Steel, Inc. Employees 401(k) Retirement Plan and Trust ("the Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan adopted on January 1, 1988 to provide retirement benefits for eligible employees of Olympic Steel, Inc. and Subsidiaries ("the Company"). The Plan also contains provisions for disability and death benefits. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Participation

Each non-union employee becomes eligible to participate in the Plan after completion of one hour of service. An employee must be employed for 12 consecutive months in order to receive the Company matching and non-elective contributions.

Participant Accounts and Contributions

Participants, upon attaining eligibility status, are automatically enrolled at a 3% deferral rate unless they elect not to participate or to participate at a different deferral percentage. Eligible participants may make an election to defer a portion of their compensation not in excess of the maximum allowable deferral under the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). The salary deferral is known as an elective contribution. The Company may make discretionary matching and profit sharing contributions.

Matching contributions are subject to approval by the Company. For the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company made a matching contribution equal to 50% of the participant's elective contribution applicable to that portion of the participant's elective contribution that does not exceed 6% of compensation. The Company did not make any profit sharing contributions for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014.

Each participant has a separate non-elective contribution account, with sub-accounts to reflect discretionary matching and profit sharing contributions, and an additional account for elective contributions and/or rollover contributions.

Rollover Contributions

Distributions from another qualified plan may be transferred into the Plan.

Investment Options

Participants may direct the manner in which their elective contributions, rollover contributions, and the Company's matching and profit-sharing contributions are allocated among the investment options available under the Plan. Non-vested amounts related to the Company's profit sharing contributions are maintained in non-participant-directed accounts.

Note 1 - Plan Description (Continued)

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their elective and rollover contributions. Company matching and profit-sharing contributions shall be subject to a vesting schedule, which calls for 20% vesting after 2 years of service, increasing 20% for each year of service thereafter. In the event an amendment is adopted which affects participant vesting, a participant with three or more years of service may elect to have his vested interest continue to be determined under the former vesting schedule rather than under the new vesting provisions of the amendment.

Forfeitures

Forfeitures are used to reduce company contributions, provided, however, if in a given plan year the forfeitures exceed the company contribution, such forfeitures shall be used to pay plan expenses or allocated to remaining participants in the same manner as company contributions. During 2015 and 2014, forfeitures totaling approximately $149,000 and $115,000 respectively, were used to reduce employer contributions or pay plan expenses. Forfeitures remaining at December 31, 2015 and 2014 were approximately $135,000 and $149,000, respectively.

Notes Receivable from Participants

The Plan allows for participants to borrow from their accounts a minimum of $500 and a maximum of 50% of their vested account balance up to $50,000. The interest rate must be a reasonable rate as determined by the plan administrator. Interest assessed on outstanding loans ranged from 3.25% to 5.25% at December 31, 2015 and 2014. Maturities on these loans do not exceed five years unless the funds are used to acquire a participant's principal residence.

Benefit Payments

Upon service or disability retirement, death, termination or financial hardship, the participant or beneficiary may elect to receive a benefit payment. Benefit payments are paid directly to the participant from the net assets available for benefits, and are made in lump-sum amounts or through periodic payments as specified by the participant, subject to the provisions of the Plan.

Plan Termination

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company reserves the right to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. Upon termination, all amounts credited to participant accounts shall become fully vested.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

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

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. Fair value is a price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 5 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balances plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Delinquent loans are treated as distributions based upon the terms of the plan document.

Plan Expenses

The Plan pays the majority of the administrative expenses.

Investment Contracts

As described in Accounting Standard Codification (ASC) 962, Defined Contribution Pension Plans, investment contracts held by a defined contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value.

However, contract value is the relevant measurement attribute for that portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

The Reliance Stable Value Fund-MetLife Series 25053 is a fully benefit-responsive investment contract in a collective trust. As required by ASC 962, the statement of net assets available for benefits presents the fair value of the investment in the collective trust as well as the adjustment of the investment in the collective trust from fair value to contract value. The statement of changes in net assets available for benefits is prepared on a contract value basis. Certain events may limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuer. Such events generally include significant changes in the operation, or investment strategies of the Plan or significant events impacting the Plan sponsor. The Plan administrator does not believe that the occurrence of any such event, which would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with participants, is probable.

Refunds Due of Participant Contributions

Amounts payable to participants for contributions in excess of amounts allowed by the Internal Revenue Service are recorded as a liability with a corresponding reduction to contributions.

Benefit Payments

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (US GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reclassification

Certain amounts in the 2014 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2015 presentation.

Note 3 - Tax Status

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has determined and informed the Company by a letter dated July 8, 2010, that the Plan as then designed was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. The Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter. However, the plan administrator and the Plan's legal counsel believe that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

U.S. GAAP requires Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. 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 the IRS; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress. The plan administrator believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2012.

Note 4 - Investments

The net appreciation in fair value of investments on the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits reflects the net gains and losses on all investments, which are invested primarily in mutual funds and a common collective trust.

The Plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520. 103-8 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Mid Atlantic Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, has certified that the following data included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule is complete and accurate:

	2015	2014
Net assets certified by trustee		
Common / collective trust	$ 9,563,261	$ 9,101,556
Mutual funds	40,674,114	43,644,192
Cash and cash equivalents	153,262	158,518
Certified assets	**$ 50,390,637**	**$ 52,904,266**

	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Year Ended December 31, 2014
Additions to net assets certified by trustee		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$ 132,100	$ 2,390,634
Interest and dividends	502,945	444,720

The following table presents information about the net assets relating to the non-participant-directed investments as of December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	2015	**2014**
Mutual funds	$ 1,073,556	$ 1,158,454
Government obligations	60,000	260,000
	$ 1,133,556	**$ 1,418,454**

Note 4 - Investments (Continued)

The change in nonparticipant-directed investments is as follows:

	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Year Ended December 31, 2014
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	$ 42,796	$ 104,638
Interest and dividends	15,935	15,890

The following table presents investments that represent 5 percent or more of the Plan's net assets at December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	2015	2014
Reliance Stable Value Fund-MetLife Series 25053	$ 9,572,888	$ 9,744,610
Guggenheim Mid Cap Value	*	3,372,024
Columbia Select Large Cap Growth Fund	6,908,183	7,045,928
Principal Mid Cap Blend Fund	4,094,124	4,411,969
MFS Value Fund Class R3	6,427,274	6,260,887
Lord Abbett Fundamental Equity Fund Class A	*	2,735,504
American Funds EuroPacific Growth Fund	*	2,853,675

* Less than 5% of net assets

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

Note 5 - Fair Value Measurements

ASC 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurement) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC 820 are described below:

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

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted 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 specific (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Note 5 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

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

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

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

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

Stable Value Fund: Assets are invested in a separate account and valued at fair value by discounting the related cash flows based on interest rates that reflect the performance of the underlying portfolio.

Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance: Valued based on the cash paid into the policy plus related dividend income retained under the policy.

Israeli Bonds: Valued at cost, which approximates fair value.

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

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2015			
	Level 1	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
December 31, 2015				
Mutual Funds:				
International	$ 4,486,788	$ -	$ -	$ 4,486,788
Government	233,607	-	-	233,607
Small Cap Growth	1,371,503	-	-	1,371,503
Large Cap Blend	7,995,777	-	-	7,995,777
Bond	1,850,833	-	-	1,850,833
Large Cap Value	7,265,662	-	-	7,265,662
Mid Cap Value	2,461,223	-	-	2,461,223
Large Cap Growth	9,809,120	-	-	9,809,120
Small Cap Value	1,908,051	-	-	1,908,051
Mid Cap Blend	4,358,090	-	-	4,358,090
Cash and cash equivalents	7,017	-	-	7,017
Stable Value Fund	-	9,572,887	-	9,572,887
Life Insurance	-	-	339,770	339,770
Israeli Bonds	-	-	60,000	60,000
	$ 41,747,671	**$ 9,572,887**	**$ 399,770**	**$ 51,720,328**

Note 5 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2014			
	Level 1	**Level 2**	**Level 3**	**Total**
December 31, 2014				
Mutual Funds:				
International	$ 5,030,283	$ -	$ -	$ 5,030,283
Government	160,678	-	-	160,678
Small Cap Growth	1,691,135	-	-	1,691,135
Large Cap Blend	5,720,947	-	-	5,720,947
Bond	2,102,940	-	-	2,102,940
Large Cap Value	9,891,575	-	-	9,891,575
Mid Cap Value	3,372,024	-	-	3,372,024
Large Cap Growth	9,703,429	-	-	9,703,429
Small Cap Value	2,097,770	-	-	2,097,770
Mid Cap Blend	4,695,621	-	-	4,695,621
Cash and cash equivalents	14,718	-	-	14,718
Stable Value Fund	-	9,744,610	-	9,744,610
Life Insurance	-	-	336,792	336,792
Israeli Bonds	-	-	260,000	260,000
	$ 44,481,120	**$ 9,744,610**	**$ 596,792**	**$ 54,822,522**

The table below sets for a summary of changes in the fair value of the Plan's level 3 assets for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	Life Insurance	**Israeli Bonds**
Balance, December 31, 2013	$ 306,463	$ 260,000
Investment gain	6,832	-
Purchases	28,111	60,000
Sales	(4,614)	(60,000)
Balance, December 31, 2014	**$ 336,792**	**$ 260,000**
Investment gain	22,323	-
Sales	(19,345)	(200,000)
Balance, December 31, 2015	**$ 339,770**	**$ 60,000**

Note 6 - Party-in-Interest Transactions

Noble-Davis Consulting provides administrative and recordkeeping services. The fees charged for these services for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 were $169,996 and $153,572, respectively. Mid Atlantic Trust Company provides trustee services. The fees charged for these services for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 were $33,344 and $33,784, respectively.

The Plan participates in a revenue-sharing arrangement whereby the Plan receives funds to pay certain administrative fees. These funds totaled approximately $224,500 and $230,500 for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Note 7 - Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

The Plan's interest in a collective trust relating to a fully benefit-responsive investment contract is shown at contract value on the accompanying financial statements and fair value on the Form 5500. In addition, in order to the Plan to satisfy the non-discrimination tests required under Section 401(k) of the IRC, certain participants were entitled to receive refunds of contributions made and earnings on those contributions. These refunds have been recorded as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements, but are reflected on the Form 5500 when paid.

The following is a reconciliation of the net assets available for plan benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500:

	2015	2014
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	$53,829,572	$ 56,237,015
Adjustment to contract value	-	321,527
Refunds due of participant contributions	60,539	110,378
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	$ 53,890,111	$ 56,668,920

The following is a reconciliation of certain line items per the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits to the Form 5500:

	2015	2014
Investment income per the financial statements	$ 746,168	$ 3,000,392
Change in adjustment to contract value	(321,527)	208,831
Total investment income per the Form 5500	424,641	3,209,223
Benefit payments and insurance premiums per the financial statements	6,943,477	8,376,530
Change in refunds due of participant contributions	49,839	39,754
Benefit payments per the Form 5500	$ 6,993,316	$ 8,416,284

Note 8 - Subsequent Events

Plan management evaluated subsequent events through October 11, 2016 the date which the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no material subsequent events that required recognition or additional disclosure in these financial statements.

SCHEDULE I

OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN
PLAN # 003 EIN: 34-1245650
FORM 5500 SCHEDULE H PART IV LINE 4(i)

Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

December 31, 2015

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
Participant-Directed				
	American Funds EuroPacific Growth Fund	Mutual Fund	**	$ 2,600,213
	Franklin U. S. Government Securities Fund	Mutual Fund	**	233,607
	Columbia Select Large Cap Growth Fund	Mutual Fund	**	6,908,183
	MFS Total Return Fund Class R3	Mutual Fund	**	1,025,511
	MFS International New Discovery Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,892,790
	MFS Value Fund Class R3	Mutual Fund	**	6,427,274
	Oak Ridge Small Cap Growth Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,371,503
	Columbia Contrarian Core Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,974,504
	MFS Research Bond Fund Class R3	Mutual Fund	**	864,320
	JP Morgan High Yield Bond Fund	Mutual Fund	**	825,322
	Delaware Small Cap Core Fund	Mutual Fund	**	15,261
	Income Fund of America	Mutual Fund	**	571,743
	Columbia Large Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,761,965
	Principal Investors SAM Conservative Balanced Port A	Mutual Fund	**	1,254,403
	Principal Mid Cap Blend Fund	Mutual Fund	**	4,094,124
	Perkins Global Value Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,627,618
	Nuveen Symphony Large Cap Growth Fund Class A	Mutual Fund	**	2,623,965
	MFS Blended Research Core Fund	Mutual Fund	**	2,140,585
	Prudential Mid Cap Value Fund	Mutual Fund	**	2,461,223
	Reliance Stable Value Fund - Metlife Series 25053	Common/Collective Trust	**	9,572,888
	Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance Policies	Life Insurance Policies	**	339,770
Nonparticipant-Directed				
	State of Israel Bonds	Government Obligations	60,000	60,000
	Baird Mutual Fund Investments	Mutual Funds	844,510	1,073,556
*	Participant Loans	3.25% - 5.25% notes receivable with maturity dates through 2025 collateralized by participant accounts	-	1,676,953
	Total Investments			**$ 53,397,281**

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