

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). <p style="text-align: center;">▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</p>	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">2015</div> This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2015</u> and ending <u>12/31/2015</u>	
A This return/report is for:	☐ a multiemployer plan; ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions); or ☒ a single-employer plan; ☐ a DFE (specify) ____
B This return/report is:	☐ the first return/report; ☐ the final return/report; ☐ an amended return/report; ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months).
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.	☒
D Check box if filing under:	☒ Form 5558; ☐ automatic extension; ☐ the DFVC program; ☐ special extension (enter description)

Part II	Basic Plan Information —enter all requested information
1a Name of plan	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>004</u>
<u>OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. UNION EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/1988</u>
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>OLYMPIC STEEL MINNEAPOLIS, INC.</u>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>41-1842186</u>
<u>22901 MILLCREEK BOULEVARD</u> <u>SUITE 650</u> <u>HIGHLAND HILLS, OH 44122</u>	2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>216-292-3800</u>
	2d Business code (see instructions) <u>331200</u>

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

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

SIGN HERE	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 ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number <div style="background-color: #cccccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the name, EIN and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name OLYMPIC STEEL, INC.	4b EIN 34-1245650 4c PN 004
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 127
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) 116
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2) 104
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits.....	6c 12
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d 116
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.....	6e 1
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f 117
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item).....	6g 85
h Number of participants that terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6h 0
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2T 3D 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) (1) ☒ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ 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) ☒ 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) ☒ 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) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☒ <u>1</u> A (Insurance Information) (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III	Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)
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11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

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

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

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

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE A (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	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).	OMB No. 1210-0110 2015 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2015 and ending 12/31/2015

A Name of plan OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. UNION EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 004
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 OLYMPIC STEEL MINNEAPOLIS, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 41-1842186

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.
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
VOYA FINANCIAL-RELIASTAR LIFE INS CO

(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
41-0451140	67105	PT 8157	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.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid 10	(b) Total amount of fees paid
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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	
10			3

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

MARK FINNESTAD
9121 BALTIMORE STREET NE
BLAINE, MN 55449

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
0			3

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

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

GEORGE RICHARD MIHAL, JR

45 WEST PROSPECT DR., STE 1575
CLEVELAND, OH 44115

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
0			3

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

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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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	3871
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. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	
e	Type of contract: (1) ☒ 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. ▶

<div>SCHEDULE C</div> <div>(Form 5500)</div> <div>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</div> <div>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</div> <div>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Service Provider Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	OMB No. 1210-0110
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<div>C</div> Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 OLYMPIC STEEL MINNEAPOLIS, INC.	<div>D</div> Employer Identification Number (EIN) 41-1842186	

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

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

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

(b)	Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
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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-6
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	11199	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒	7570	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

ROBERT W. BAIRD & CO.

200 PUBLIC SQUARE, SUITE 1600
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?
63 33 71	INVESTMENT ADVISOR	145	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒	16544	Yes ☒ No ☐

(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 ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒	5017	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

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

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

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

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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			Yes ☐ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

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

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

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

a Name: 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:

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Explanation:

<p style="text-align: center;">SCHEDULE D (Form 5500)</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DFE/Participating Plan Information</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: large;">2015</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</p>
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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)
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<p>a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: METLIFE SERIES 25053</p>		
<p>b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): METLIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</p>		
<p>c EIN-PN 58-1428634-008</p>	<p>d Entity code C</p>	<p>e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 676218</p>
<p>a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:</p>		
<p>b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):</p>		
<p>c EIN-PN</p>	<p>d Entity code</p>	<p>e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)</p>
<p>a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:</p>		
<p>b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):</p>		
<p>c EIN-PN</p>	<p>d Entity code</p>	<p>e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)</p>
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<p>b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):</p>		
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<p>b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):</p>		
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<p>c EIN-PN</p>	<p>d Entity code</p>	<p>e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)</p>

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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):**c** EIN-PN**d** Entity
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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**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2015 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
For calendar plan year 2015 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2015</u> and ending <u>12/31/2015</u>		
A Name of plan <u>OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. UNION EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	<u>004</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>OLYMPIC STEEL MINNEAPOLIS, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>41-1842186</u>	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.				
	Assets			
a	Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a	0	1688
b	Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
	(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	16749	16892
	(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	12840	14024
	(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)	307372	309912
	(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)	959195	676218
	(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)	6271030	5939511
	(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
	(15) Other	1c(15)	52441	54466

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	7619627	7012711

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k		

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	7619627	7012711
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	66779	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	160175	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		226954
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)	11590	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		11590
(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)	89799	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		89799
(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)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	2024	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		2024

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		-17027
(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)		-28281
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		285059

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	859560	
(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)		859560
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		11671
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)	1067	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	11199	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		12266
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		883497

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		-598438
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		8478

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

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

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

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

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year?

If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year. ☐ Yes ☒ No Amount:

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

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)
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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 <u>OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. UNION EMPLOYEES 401(K) RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>004</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>OLYMPIC STEEL MINNEAPOLIS, INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>41-1842186</u>

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

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	<u>0</u>
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): <u>27-3169253</u>		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year.....	3	

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.			
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____	If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.		
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a		
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b		
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....	6c		
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.			
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	☐ Yes	☐ No	☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.	☐ Increase	☐ Decrease	☐ Both	☐ No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under Section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes	☐ No
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes	☐ No
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes	☐ No
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes	☐ No

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Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

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

14	Enter the number of participants on whose behalf no contributions were made by an employer as an employer of the participant for:		
	a The current year	14a	
	b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	14b	
	c The second preceding plan year	14c	
15	Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
	a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
	b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	
16	Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
	a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
	b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16b	
17	If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment. ☐		

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18	If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment ☐
19	If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) through (c)
	a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Stock: _____% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%
	b Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt: ☐ 0-3 years ☐ 3-6 years ☐ 6-9 years ☐ 9-12 years ☐ 12-15 years ☐ 15-18 years ☐ 18-21 years ☐ 21 years or more
	c What duration measure was used to calculate line 19(b)? ☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify): _____

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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20a Is the plan a 401(k) plan?	☐ Yes	☐ No
20b If "Yes," how does the 401(k) plan satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2)?	☐ Design-based safe harbor method	☐ ADP/ACP test
20c If the ADP/ACP test is used, did the 401(k) plan perform ADP/ACP testing for the plan year using the "current year testing method" for nonhighly compensated employees (Treas. Reg sections 1.401(k)-2(a)(2)(ii) and 1.401(m)-2(a)(2)(ii))?	☐ Yes	☐ No
21a Check the box to indicate the method used by the plan to satisfy the coverage requirements under section 410(b):	☐ Ratio percentage test	☐ Average benefit test
21b Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules?	☐ Yes	☐ No
22a Has the plan been timely amended for all required tax law changes?	☐ Yes	☐ No ☐ N/A
22b Date the last plan amendment/restatement for the required tax law changes was adopted ____/____/____. Enter the applicable code _____. (See instructions for tax law changes and codes).		
22c If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved master and prototype (M&P) or volume submitter plan that is subject to a favorable IRS opinion or advisory letter, enter the date of that favorable letter ____/____/____ and the letter's serial number _____.		
22d If the plan is an individually-designed plan and received a favorable determination letter from the IRS, enter the date of the plan's last favorable determination letter ____/____/____.		
23 Is the Plan maintained in a U.S. territory (i.e., Puerto Rico (if no election under ERISA section 1022(i)(2) has been made), American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands or the U.S. Virgin Islands)?	☐ Yes	☐ No

**OLYMPIC STEEL, INC.
UNION EMPLOYEES' 401(k)
RETIREMENT PLAN**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

WITH SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND 2014

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

October 11, 2016

To the Plan Administrator of the
Olympic Steel, Inc.
Union Employees' 401(k) Retirement Plan
Highland Hills, Ohio

Report on the Financial Statements

We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of Olympic Steel, Inc. Union Employees' 401(k) Retirement Plan ("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 3, which was certified by Mid Atlantic Trust Company, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing such information with the related information included in the financial statements. We have been informed by the plan administrator that the trustee holds the Plan's investment assets, and executes investment transactions. The plan administrator has obtained 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 the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting Disclosure under the 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, have been audited by us in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and, in our opinion, are presented in compliance with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Walthall, LLP". The script is cursive and fluid, with the letters "W", "L", and "P" being particularly prominent.

Certified Public Accountants

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

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

December 31, 2015 and 2014

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Assets		
Cash	\$ 1,688	\$ -
Investments:		
Participant-directed investments, at fair value	6,670,195	7,282,666
Receivables:		
Participant contributions	14,024	12,840
Employer contributions	16,892	16,749
Notes receivable from participants	<u>309,912</u>	<u>307,372</u>
	<u>340,828</u>	<u>336,961</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits at Fair Value	7,012,711	7,619,627
Adjustment from fair value to contract value for interest in collective trust relating to fully benefit-responsive investment contract	<u>(681)</u>	<u>(31,649)</u>
Net Assets Available for Benefits	<u><u>\$ 7,012,030</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,587,978</u></u>

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

OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. UNION EMPLOYEES' 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 (depreciation) appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ (12,316)	\$ 362,253
Dividends and interest	89,799	63,664
	77,483	425,917
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	11,590	10,599
Contributions:		
Participant	160,175	168,799
Employer	66,779	70,262
	226,954	239,061
Total additions	316,027	675,577
Deductions from Net Assets Attributed to		
Benefit payments	867,360	411,436
Administrative expenses	12,266	10,812
Miscellaneous expense	8,478	-
Insurance premiums	3,871	3,984
Total deductions	891,975	426,232
Net (Decrease) Increase	(575,948)	249,345
Net Assets Available for Benefits		
Beginning of Year	7,587,978	7,338,633
End of Year	<u>\$ 7,012,030</u>	<u>\$ 7,587,978</u>

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

OLYMPIC STEEL, INC. UNION EMPLOYEES' 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVING PLAN

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

Note 1- Plan Description

The following description of Olympic Steel, Inc. Union Employees' 401(k) Retirement Plan ("the Plan") is provided for general information purposes. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established January 1, 1990, to provide retirement benefits for eligible union employees of Olympic Steel, Inc. ("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 employee becomes eligible to participate in the Plan after 12 consecutive months of employment in which an employee has completed 1,000 hours of service.

Participant Accounts and Contributions

Eligible participants may make an election to defer a portion of their compensation limited to 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 non-elective contributions. For the years ending December 31, 2015 and 2014, the Company made a matching contribution equal to 50% of the first 6% of the participant's elective contribution.

Each participant will have a separate non-elective contribution account, with sub-accounts to reflect formula and matching 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 contributions are allocated among the investment options available under the Plan. The Company's matching and formula contributions are allocated based upon the participant investment elections.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their elective contributions, rollover contributions, and the Company matching or non-elective contributions.

Note 1 - Plan Description (Continued)

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 was 5.25% and 3.25% at December 31, 2015 and 2014, respectively. 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.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements 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 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net (depreciation) appreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held, during the year.

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.

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

The Reliance Stable Value Fund-MetLife Series 25053 is a fully benefit-responsive investment. As required by ASC 962, the statements of net assets available for benefits present 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.

Benefit Payments

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. 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 - Investments

The net (depreciation) 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.

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	\$ 676,218	\$ 927,546
Mutual funds	5,939,511	6,271,030
Cash and cash equivalents	1,688	-
Certified assets	<u><u>\$ 6,617,417</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,198,576</u></u>
	Year Ended December 31, 2015	Year Ended December 31, 2014
Additions to net assets certified by trustee		
Net (depreciation) appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ (12,316)	\$ 362,253
Interest and dividends	89,799	63,664

Note 3 - Investments (continued)

All Plan investments are participant-directed. The following table presents investments that represent 5 percent or more of the Plan's net assets as of December 31, 2015 and 2014:

	2015	2014
Guggenheim Mid Cap Value	*	\$ 440,570
Columbia Select Large Cap Growth Fund	935,858	881,894
Columbia Contrarian Core Fund	613,842	650,497
Prudential Mid Cap Value Fund	368,643	*
Reliance Stable Value Fund-Metlife Series 25053	676,218	959,195
Nuveen Symphony Large - Cap Growth Fund	376,090	*
MFS Total Return Fund Class R3	807,811	863,933
MFS Value Fund Class R3	1,000,991	1,129,017
Principal MidCap Blend Fund	470,885	516,136

* Less than 5 percent of 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 assets available for benefits.

Note 4 - 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.

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

Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

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 values 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.

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:

Description	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2015			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
December 31, 2015				
Mutual Funds				
International	\$ 315,690	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 315,690
Government	95,345	-	-	95,345
Small Cap Growth	207,477	-	-	207,477
Large Cap Blend	1,001,293	-	-	1,001,293
Bond	870,158	-	-	870,158
Large Cap Value	1,009,872	-	-	1,009,872
Mid Cap Value	368,643	-	-	368,643
Large Cap Growth	1,311,948	-	-	1,311,948
Small Cap Value	288,200	-	-	288,200
Mid Cap Blend	470,885	-	-	470,885
Stable Value Funds	-	676,218	-	676,218
Life Insurance	-	-	54,466	54,466
	<u>\$ 5,939,511</u>	<u>\$ 676,218</u>	<u>\$ 54,466</u>	<u>\$ 6,670,195</u>

Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Description	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2014			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
December 31, 2014				
Mutual funds				
International	\$ 341,688	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 341,688
Government	92,697	-	-	92,697
Small Cap Growth	210,143	-	-	210,143
Large Cap Blend	958,600	-	-	958,600
Bond	945,071	-	-	945,071
Large Cap Value	1,229,092	-	-	1,229,092
Mid Cap Value	440,570	-	-	440,570
Large Cap Growth	1,238,028	-	-	1,238,028
Small Cap Value	299,005	-	-	299,005
Mid Cap Blend	516,136	-	-	516,136
Stable Value Funds	-	959,195	-	959,195
Life Insurance	-	-	52,441	52,441
	<u>\$6,271,030</u>	<u>\$959,195</u>	<u>\$ 52,441</u>	<u>\$ 7,282,666</u>

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

	<u>Life Insurance</u>
Balance, December 31, 2013	\$ 50,607
Investment Gain	5,373
Sales	<u>(3,539)</u>
Balance, December 31, 2014	52,441
Investment Gain	<u>2,025</u>
Balance, December 31, 2015	<u>\$ 54,466</u>

Note 5 - 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 \$18,769 and \$17,835, respectively. Mid Atlantic Trust Company provides trustee services. The fees charged for these services for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 were \$5,017 and \$5,155, respectively.

The Plan participates in a revenue-sharing arrangement whereby the Plan receives funds to pay certain administrative fees. These funds totaled approximately \$29,100 and \$31,100 for the years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014.

Note 6 - Federal Income Taxes

The Plan obtained its latest determination letter on February 11, 2011, in which the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) stated 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.

Note 6 - Federal Income Taxes (Continued)

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 to 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 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 at fair value on the Form 5500.

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

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 7,012,030	\$ 7,587,978
Adjustment to contract value	<u>681</u>	<u>31,649</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u><u>\$ 7,012,711</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 7,619,627</u></u>

The following is a reconciliation of certain line items per the 2015 statement of changes in net assets available for benefits to the Form 5500:

	<u>2015</u>
Investment loss per the financial statements	\$ (12,316)
Change in adjustment to contract value	<u>(30,968)</u>
Total investment loss per the Form 5500	<u><u>\$ (43,284)</u></u>

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. UNION EMPLOYEES' 401(k) RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

PLAN #001 EIN: 34-1324942

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
	American Funds EuroPacific Growth Fund	Mutual Fund	**	\$ 209,876
	Franklin US Government Securities Fund	Mutual Fund	**	95,345
	Pioneer Oak Ridge Small Cap Growth Fund	Mutual Fund	**	207,477
	Principal SAM Conservative Balanced Fund	Mutual Fund	**	84,284
	Columbia Large Cap Index Fund	Mutual Fund	**	130,153
	JP Morgan High Yield Bond	Mutual Fund	**	62,347
	MFS Blended Research Core Equity Fund	Mutual Fund	**	90,952
	Prudential Mid Cap Value Fund	Mutual Fund	**	368,643
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	American Funds Income Fund of America	Mutual Fund	**	8,881
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	Perkins Global Value Fund	Mutual Fund	**	105,814
	Principal Midcap Blend Fund	Mutual Fund	**	470,885
	Reliance Stable Value Fund-Metlife Series 25053	Common/Collective Trust	**	676,218
	Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance Policies	Life Insurance Policies	**	54,466
*	Participant Loans	3.25% - 5.25% Notes receivable with maturity dates through 2020 collateralized by participant accounts		<u>309,912</u>
	Total investments			<u><u>\$ 6,980,107</u></u>

* Denotes a party-in-interest

** Cost not required for participant directed investments

SCHEDULE I

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

PLAN #001 EIN: 34-1324942

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