

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 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 2017 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2017 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2017</u> and ending <u>12/31/2017</u>	
A	This return/report is for: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> ☐ a multiemployer plan </div> <div> ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) </div> </div>
	☒ a single-employer plan <div style="margin-left: 100px;">☐ a DFE (specify) _____</div>
B	This return/report is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> ☐ the first return/report ☐ an amended return/report </div> <div> ☐ the final return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months) </div> </div>
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> ☒ Form 5558 ☐ special extension (enter description) </div> <div> ☐ automatic extension </div> <div> ☐ the DFVC program </div> </div>

Part II	Basic Plan Information —enter all requested information		
1a	Name of plan <u>BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(K) PLAN</u>	1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>
		1c	Effective date of plan <u>10/01/1993</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>BOSTON BEER CORPORATION</u> <u>ONE DESIGN CENTER PLACE SUITE 850</u> <u>BOSTON, MA 02210</u>	2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>04-3537265</u>
		2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>617-368-5177</u>
		2d	Business code (see instructions) <u>312120</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.	07/06/2018	FRANK SMALLA
	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

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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 or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 1716
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 a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6a(1) 1408 6a(2) 1359 6b 4 6c 293 6d 1656 6e 0 6f 1656 6g 1605 6h 239
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 b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:	

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ 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
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- (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) ☐ 0 **A** (Insurance Information)
- (4) ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) ☐ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

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

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

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

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2017 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2017 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 C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider 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.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2017
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2017 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2017** and ending **12/31/2017**

A Name of plan BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOSTON BEER CORPORATION	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 04-3537265	

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	
ARIEL	200 EAST RANDOLPH, SUITE 2900 CHICAGO, IL 60601

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation	
BLACKROCK	400 HOWARD STREET SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation	
FIDELITY	500 SALEM STREET OS2N1 SMITHFIELD, RI 02917

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation	
J.P. MORGAN	245 PARK AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10167

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

JANUS HENDERSON INVESTORS

151 DETROIT ST.
DENVER, CO 80206

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

JOHN HANCOCK

601 CONGRESS STREET
BOSTON, MA 02210-2805

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

LORD ABBETT

90 HUDSON STREET
JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302

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

T. ROWE PRICE ASSOCIATES

100 E. PRATT ST
BALTIMORE, MD 21212

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

VANGUARD FUNDS

100 VANGUARD BLVD
MAIL STOP #242
MALVERN, PA 19355

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

MFS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

111 HUNTINGTON AVENUE
BOSTON, MA 02199-7618

(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)

MMA SECURITIES LLC

PO BOX 9497
NEW YORK, NY 10087

(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	30997	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

PO BOX 7247-6446
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19170-6446

(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	21546	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

GREAT-WEST LIFE & ANNUITY INSURANCE

8515 EAST ORCHARD RD
GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO 80111

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
64 15	RECORDKEEPER	19619	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	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)

QDRO CONSULTANTS CO LLC

3071 PEARL ROAD
MEDINA, OH 44256

(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	600	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

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

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

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

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:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

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 2017 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
For calendar plan year 2017 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2017</u> and ending <u>12/31/2017</u>		
A Name of plan <u>BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(K) PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	<u>001</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>BOSTON BEER CORPORATION</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>04-3537265</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	0
b	Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
	(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	0	61468
	(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	0	196692
	(3) Other.....	1b(3)	0	15315
c	General investments:			
	(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	0	0
	(2) U.S. Government securities.....	1c(2)	0	0
	(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
	(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)	0	0
	(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)	0	0
	(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
	(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)	0	0
	(B) Common	1c(4)(B)	0	0
	(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)	0	0
	(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)	0	0
	(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)	0	0
	(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	1318784	1560165
	(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)	0	0
	(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts.....	1c(10)		
	(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)	0	0
	(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	0	0
	(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	1c(13)	94281507	119139113
	(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
	(15) Other	1c(15)	0	0

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	95600291	120972753

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g	0	0
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i	0	0
j Other liabilities	1j	0	0
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	95600291	120972753
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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 Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	3224081	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	7821641	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	1201580	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	12247302
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	0	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	62167	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	0	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		62167
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	4266186	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		4266186
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		0
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	0	
(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)	0	
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	0	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		0
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		0
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	2b(10)		16708625
c Other income	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		33284280

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	7839056	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	0	
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3).....	2e(4)		7839056
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		0
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		0
h Interest expense.....	2h		0
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)	21546	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	19619	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)	30997	
(4) Other	2i(4)	600	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4).....	2i(5)		72762
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		7911818

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		25372462
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

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

(1) Name: **DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP**

(2) EIN: **13-3891517**

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:

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.).....

	Yes	No	Amount
4a	X		482227

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.)

	Yes	No	Amount
4b		X	

		Yes	No	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		5000000
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		X	

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

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
 If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____. (See instructions.)

<div>SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</div>	<div>Retirement Plan Information</div> <div>This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).</div> <div>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</div>	<div>OMB No. 1210-0110</div> <div>2017</div> <div>This Form is Open to Public Inspection.</div>
For calendar plan year 2017 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2017 and ending 12/31/2017		
A Name of plan BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(K) PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BOSTON BEER CORPORATION		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 04-3537265
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): 84-1455663		
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.)	
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		
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.		
Schedule R (Form 5500) 2017 v. 170203		

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 _____

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(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

- 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): _____

Boston Beer Company 401(k) Plan

Employer ID No.: 04-3537265

Plan Number: 001

Financial Statements as of December 31, 2017 and
2016, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2017,
Supplemental Schedules as of and for the Year
Ended December 31, 2017 and
Independent Auditors' Report

BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(K) PLAN

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Plan Administrator and Participants
of the Boston Beer Company 401(k) Plan:

Report on the Financial Statements

We were engaged to audit the accompanying financial statements of The Boston Beer Company 401(k) Plan (the "Plan"), which comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion

As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, the plan administrator instructed us not to perform, and we did not perform, any auditing procedures with respect to the information summarized in Note 4, which was certified by Great-West Trust Company, LLC, the trustee of the Plan, except for comparing such information with the related information included in the financial statements. We have been informed by the plan administrator that the trustee holds the Plan's investment assets and executes investment transactions. The plan administrator has obtained certifications from the trustee as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and for the year ended December 31, 2017, that the information provided to the plan administrator by the trustee is complete and accurate.

Disclaimer of Opinion

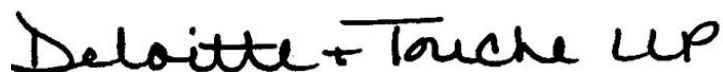
Because of the significance of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion paragraph, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on these financial statements.

Other Matter—Supplemental Schedules

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2017 and schedule of delinquent participant contributions for the year ended December 31, 2017, are required by the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are 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 these supplemental schedules.

Report on Form and Content in Compliance With Department of Labor Rules and Regulations

The form and content of the information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedules, other than that derived from the information certified by the trustee have been audited by us in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and, in our opinion, are presented in compliance with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.

The image shows a handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Deloitte + Touche LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

June 29, 2018

BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(k) PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016

	2017	2016
ASSETS—		
Participant-directed investments at fair value	<u>\$ 119,139,113</u>	<u>\$ 94,281,507</u>
RECEIVABLES:		
Notes receivable from participants	1,560,165	1,318,784
Participant contributions receivable	<u>273,475</u>	<u>-</u>
Total receivables	<u>1,833,640</u>	<u>1,318,784</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$ 120,972,753</u>	<u>\$ 95,600,291</u>

See notes to financial statements.

BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(k) PLAN

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

ADDITIONS:

INVESTMENT INCOME:

Interest and dividend income	\$ 4,266,186
Net appreciation on fair value of investments	<u>16,708,625</u>
	<u>20,974,811</u>

INTEREST INCOME ON NOTES RECEIVABLE FROM PARTICIPANTS	<u>62,167</u>
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CONTRIBUTIONS:

Participants	7,821,641
Employer	3,224,081
Rollovers	<u>1,201,580</u>

TOTAL ADDITIONS	<u>33,284,280</u>
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DEDUCTIONS:

Benefit payments	7,839,056
Administrative expenses	<u>72,762</u>

Total deductions	<u>7,911,818</u>
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NET INCREASE	25,372,462
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS—Beginning of year	<u>95,600,291</u>
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS—End of year	<u>\$ 120,972,753</u>
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See notes to financial statements.

BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(K) PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND 2016, AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the Boston Beer Company (the Company) 401(k) Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document and summary plan description for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General—The Plan is a salary reduction plan pursuant to Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code), for all eligible employees. Great-West Trust Company, LLC serves as the trustee of the Plan. The Boston Beer Corporation serves as the plan sponsor with Company management serving as the plan administrator. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA).

Contributions—Contributions to the Plan include (i) salary reduction contributions authorized by participants, (ii) discretionary matching contributions made by the Company, (iii) discretionary profit-sharing contributions made by the Company; and (iv) participant rollovers from other qualified plans.

Participants may elect to contribute 1% to 60% of their compensation to the Plan each year, subject to certain limitations of the Code, as defined in the Plan. The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan thirty days after he or she satisfies the Plan's eligibility requirements unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 3% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated target date fund until changed by the participant. Participants receive advance notice of their right to elect out of the automatic enrollment feature, and are permitted to stop or change this feature at any time. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions; these additional contributions are ineligible for a Company matching contribution.

The Company match is discretionary. For the year ended December 31, 2017, the Company contributed 100% of the first 6% of eligible compensation that a participant contributed to the Plan, up to a maximum of \$1,000, plus 50% of employee contributions that were in excess of \$1,000, up to 6% of the participant's compensation. The Company may also make a discretionary profit-sharing contribution annually, which is approved by the Board of Directors of the Company. The Company made no profit-sharing contribution in 2017.

Contributions are subject to certain limitations of the Code.

Investments—Participants may direct the investment of their contributions and Company contributions into various investments options offered by the Plan and may change investments and transfer amounts between funds daily. The plan offers several mutual funds as investment options.

Participant Accounts—Individual accounts are maintained for each participant of the Plan. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and related matching and discretionary contributions and Plan earnings. Participant accounts are also charged with withdrawals and an allocation of plan losses and administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting—Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions and any rollover contributions, plus actual earnings thereon.

Effective January 1, 2013, the Samuel Adams Pennsylvania Brewery Company 401(k) Plan merged into the Plan. Therefore, participants employed by the Samuel Adams Pennsylvania Brewery Company as of December 31, 2012 become vested in Company matching and discretionary contributions according to the following schedule:

Years of Service for Vesting	Vested Percentage
1 but less than 2	20 %
2 or more	100 %

All other participants become vested in Company matching and discretionary contributions according to the following schedule:

Years of Service for Vesting	Vested Percentage
1 but less than 2	20 %
2 but less than 3	40 %
3 but less than 4	60 %
4 but less than 5	80 %
5 or more	100 %

Notes Receivable from Participants—Participants may borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum of the lesser of one-half of the vested account balance or \$50,000. Loan terms range from one to five years, or up to fifteen years for the purchase of a primary residence. A participant may not have more than one loan outstanding at any point in time. The loans are secured by an assignment of a participant's vested interest in the Plan, and bear interest at a rate commensurate with local prevailing rates at the time funds are borrowed as determined by the plan administrator. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions or as a lump sum for the outstanding loan balance. If a participant terminates employment with the Company, they may continue to make loan payments through a pre-authorized check agreement. If the loan is not repaid, it will automatically be treated as a distribution to the participant after 3 months. As of December 31, 2017, participant loans have maturities through 2032 at an interest rate of between 4.25 and 5.25 percent.

Benefits—Employees are permitted to withdraw funds from their accounts upon attaining the age of 59 1/2, retirement, termination, financial hardship, disability, or death. The participant or beneficiary may receive a lump-sum cash payment or installment payments.

In-service withdrawals are available in certain limited circumstances, as defined by the Plan. Hardship withdrawals are allowed for participants incurring an immediate and heavy financial need, as defined by the Plan. Hardship withdrawals are strictly regulated by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and a participant must exhaust all available loan options and available distributions prior to requesting a hardship withdrawal.

Forfeited Accounts—When certain terminations of participation in the Plan occur, the nonvested portion of the participant's account as defined by the Plan, represents a forfeiture. The Plan document permits the use of forfeitures to either reduce future Company contributions or pay plan administrative expenses for the plan year. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$134,167 and \$41,389, respectively. During 2017, Company contributions were reduced by \$274,900 from forfeited nonvested accounts.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting—The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

Use of Estimates—The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and changes therein and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties—The Plan provides various investment options to its participants. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate risk, credit risk, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect the value of the participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition—Investments held by the Plan are stated at fair value. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (an exit price). See Note 3 for further discussion and disclosures related to fair value measurements.

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

Notes Receivable from Participants—Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Delinquent participant loans are recorded as distributions based on the terms of the plan document.

Administrative Expenses—Substantially all administrative expenses are paid by the Company. Expenses relating to notes receivable from participants and benefit payments are deducted directly from participant accounts.

Management fees and operating expenses charged to the Plan for investments are deducted from income earned on a daily basis and are not reflected separately. Consequently, investment management fees and operating expenses are reflected as a reduction of investment return for such investments.

Payment of Benefits—Benefit payments to participants are recorded upon distribution. There were no participants, who elected to withdraw from the Plan, but had not yet been paid at December 31, 2017 or 2016.

3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, provides a framework for measuring fair value. Fair value of a financial instrument is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value, as follows: Level 1, which refers to securities valued using unadjusted quoted prices from active markets for identical assets; Level 2, which refers to securities not traded on an active market but for which observable market inputs are readily available; and Level 3, which refers to securities valued based on significant unobservable inputs. Assets are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Asset Valuation Techniques—Valuation technologies maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value:

Mutual Funds—Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-ended mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy a summary of the Plan's investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2017 and 2016:

Investments at Fair Value as of December 31, 2017				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	<u>\$ 199,139,113</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 199,139,113</u>
Investments at Fair Value as of December 31, 2016				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	<u>\$ 94,281,507</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 94,281,507</u>

4. INFORMATION CERTIFIED BY THE TRUSTEE

The following is a summary of the unaudited information regarding the Plan as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and for the year ended December 31, 2017, included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedule, that was prepared by or derived from information prepared by Great-West Trust Company, LLC, the trustee of the Plan, and furnished to the Plan administrator. The Plan administrator has obtained certifications from the trustee that such information is complete and accurate.

	2017	2016
Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits— Participant-directed investments—at fair value	<u>\$ 119,139,113</u>	<u>\$ 94,281,507</u>

	2017
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits:	
Interest and dividend income	\$ 4,266,186
Net appreciation on fair value of investments	16,708,625

Supplemental schedule: All investment balances and information included in the supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year)

Note 3: All investment balances and investment information, excluding all classification and level of investments

5. EXEMPT PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan allows for transactions with certain parties who may perform services or have fiduciary responsibilities to the Plan, including the Company. The Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the vested balances in the participants' accounts.

6. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. In the event that the Plan is terminated, participants would become 100% vested in their accounts.

7. FEDERAL INCOME TAX STATUS

The Plan uses a prototype plan document sponsored by Great-West Trust Company, LLC. Great-West Trust Company, LLC received an opinion letter from the IRS, dated March 31, 2014, which states that the prototype document satisfies the applicable provisions of the Code. The Plan itself has not received a determination letter from the IRS. However, the Plan's management believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code. Therefore, no provision for income tax has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

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 is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; and was under audit by the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) for plan years 2014 and 2013 as of December 31, 2016. On June 16, 2017, the Plan received a letter from the DOL stating that the audit was complete. The Plan administrator believes it is no longer subject to income tax examinations for years prior to 2011.

8. NONEXEMPT PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Company remitted various participant contributions amounting to \$482,227 to the trustee on dates later than required by DOL Regulation 2510.3-102, of which \$480,770 was corrected in plan year 2017 while the remaining \$1,457 will be corrected in plan year 2018. As part of the correction process, the Company files Form 5330 with the IRS and pays the required excise tax on the transactions. In addition, participant accounts are credited with the amount of investment income that would have been earned had the participant contribution been remitted on a timely basis.

9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management evaluated subsequent events for the Plan through June 29, 2018, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and concluded that there was no event of which management was aware that occurred after the date the financial statements were available to be issued that would require any adjustment to or disclosure in the accompanying financial statements.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(k) PLAN

EMPLOYER ID NO.: 04-3537265

PLAN NO.: 001

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, PART IV, LINE 41—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS

(HELD AT END OF YEAR)

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

(a)	(b) Identity of Issuer, Borrower Lessor or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment, Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Par Maturity Value	(d) Cost **	(e) Current Value
	MUTUAL FUNDS:			
	T. ROWE PRICE 2030 FUND	412,076		\$ 10,681,017
	T. ROWE PRICE 2050 FUND	594,118		9,220,712
	VANGUARD 500 INDEX FUND-ADMIRAL	33,839		8,352,233
	T. ROWE PRICE 2045 FUND	452,050		8,349,372
	FIDELITY BLUE CHIP GROWTH FUND	93,649		8,218,613
	FIDELITY OTC PORTFOLIO	72,015		7,910,854
	T. ROWE PRICE 2040 FUND	237,850		6,479,022
	T. ROWE PRICE 2035 FUND	314,477		5,965,629
	T. ROWE PRICE 2025 FUND	329,869		5,802,402
	FIDELITY CONTRAFUND	46,488		5,693,372
	T. ROWE PRICE 2055 FUND	344,993		5,374,996
	T. ROWE PRICE OVERSEAS STOCK	442,888		5,009,060
	VANGUARD SMALL CAP INDEX FUND-ADMIRAL	60,079		4,252,422
	FIDELITY LARGE CAP STOCK	84,023		2,811,412
	J HANCOCK DISCIPLINED VALUE MID CAP 1	105,894		2,468,381
	FIDELITY GROWTH COMPANY FUND	12,606		2,251,999
	FIDELITY PURITAN	91,595		2,145,158
	T. ROWE PRICE 2020 FUND	93,933		2,117,261
	VANGUARD INTERM-TERM BOND INDEX ADM	171,075		1,943,413
	FIDELITY GOVERNMENT MONEY MARKET	1,605,310		1,739,265
	FIDELITY TOTAL BOND	159,968		1,702,062
	VLNGUARD MID CAP INDEX ADM	8,521		1,632,236
	JP MORGAN EUIY INCOME R5	83,831		1,459,502
	ARIEL APPRECIATION FUND	29,373		1,406,362
	VANGUARD TOTAL INTL STOCK INDEX ADMIRAL	40,472		1,235,204
	JANUS HENDERSON ENTERPRISE A	10,326		1,188,298
	LORD ABBETT SHORT DURATION INCOME I	255,774		1,087,039
	T. ROWE PRICE 2015 FUND	62,452		935,532
	T. ROWE PRICE 2005 FUND	35,262		481,328
	T. ROWE PRICE 2010 FUND	25,153		459,793
	T. ROWE PRICE RETIREMENT BALANCED FUND	29,455		453,524
	BLACKROCK INFLATION PROTECTED BOND INSTLBPRIX	29,098		<u>311,640</u>
				119,139,113
*	Participants	Participant loans at various maturities through 2032, at interest rate of 4.25-5.25%		<u>1,560,165</u>
				<u>\$ 120,699,278</u>
*	Party-in-interest			
**	Cost information is not required for participant-directed investments and therefore is not included			

See accompanying Independent Auditors' Report.

BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(k) PLAN

EMPLOYER ID NO.: 04-3537265

PLAN NO.: 001

FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, PART IV, LINE 4A—SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

			Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions				
			Check if				
			Late		Contributions	Contributions	Total Fully
			Participant	Contributions	Corrected	Pending	Corrected
			Loan	Not	Outside	Correction	Under VFCP and
			Repayments	Corrected	VFCP	in VFCP	PTE 2002-51
Participant Contributions							
Transferred Late to Plan							
Amount	Date	Date					
Withheld	Withheld	Remitted					
\$ 599	6/23/2017	7/3/2017		\$ 599 *	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
816	9/11/2017	9/18/2017		816 *	-	-	-
42	12/29/2017	1/11/2018		42 *	-	-	-
183,169	1/4/2013	1/14/2013		-	183,169	-	-
8,019	1/3/2014	1/21/2014		-	8,019	-	-
203,434	6/20/2014	6/27/2014		-	203,434	-	-
29,408	6/20/2014	7/1/2014		-	29,408	-	-
31,458	7/11/2014	7/21/2014		-	31,458	-	-
25,282	9/19/2014	9/25/2014		-	25,282	-	-
<u>\$ 482,227</u>				<u>\$ 1,457</u>	<u>\$ 480,770</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

* Plan management corrected these contributions in plan year 2018

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Name of Plan: BOSTON BEER COMPANY 401(K) PLAN

Plan year (beginning/ending):▶ 01/01/2017 - 12/31/2017 **Plan number:**▶ 001

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INVESTMENT OPTION	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	COST OF ASSETS	CURRENT VALUE
ITRRFX			491,028.85	481,328.40
ITRRAX			431,264.21	459,792.72
ITRRGX			870,458.66	935,531.51
ITRRBX			1,882,468.40	2,117,260.47
ITRRHX			4,913,223.00	5,802,402.40
ITRRCX			8,884,646.75	10,681,017.35
ITRRJX			5,039,280.10	5,965,628.64
ITRRDX			5,353,705.80	6,479,021.46
ITRRKX			6,952,124.80	8,349,371.47
ITRRMX			7,779,648.60	9,220,711.50
ITRRNX			4,710,631.94	5,374,996.00
ITRRIX			429,688.43	453,312.10
ITROSX			4,697,118.65	5,009,060.08
IVTIAX			1,074,330.98	1,235,203.95
IVSMAX			3,397,953.00	4,252,422.25
ICA-APP			1,359,989.81	1,406,362.20
IJDMAX			950,511.08	1,188,298.41
IJVMIX			2,020,707.40	2,468,381.15
IVIMAX			1,342,767.88	1,632,236.31
IFD-BCG			5,614,601.68	8,218,613.16
ICONTRA			4,326,408.74	5,693,371.53
IFD-GRO			1,778,139.39	2,251,998.75
IFLC SX			2,063,804.40	2,811,411.58
IFD-OTC			5,641,526.99	7,910,854.10
IOIERX			1,228,134.43	1,459,502.09
IVFIAX			6,470,039.13	8,352,232.63
IPUR			1,866,482.98	2,145,158.36
IBPRIX			314,951.00	311,640.33
IFTBFX			1,713,968.99	1,702,062.49
ILLDXX			1,123,962.00	1,087,039.22
IVBILX			1,975,937.76	1,943,413.27
ISPAXX			1,605,310.33	1,605,310.33
			98,304,816.16	119,004,946.21
PARTICIPANT LOANS	VARIOUS	4.250-5.250	1,536,354.03	1,538,802.83
FORFEITURES			134,150.63	134,166.89

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

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Boston Beer Company 401(k) Plan

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INVESTMENT OPTION	MATURITY DATE	INTEREST RATE	COST OF ASSETS	CURRENT VALUE
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LEGEND

INVESTMENT OPTION:

ITRRFX	T. Rowe Price 2005 Fund	ITRRAX	T. Rowe Price 2010 Fund
ITRRGX	T. Rowe Price 2015 Fund	ITRRBX	T. Rowe Price 2020 Fund
ITRRHX	T. Rowe Price 2025 Fund	ITRRCX	T. Rowe Price 2030 Fund
ITRRIX	T. Rowe Price 2035 Fund	ITRRDX	T. Rowe Price 2040 Fund
ITRRKX	T. Rowe Price 2045 Fund	ITRRMX	T. Rowe Price 2050 Fund
ITRRNX	T. Rowe Price 2055 Fund	ITRRIX	T. Rowe Price Retirement Balanced Fund
ITROXX	T. Rowe Price Overseas Stock	IVTIAX	Vanguard Total Intl Stock Index Admiral
IVSMAX	Vanguard Small Cap Index Fund - Admiral	ICA-APP	Ariel Appreciation Fund
IJDMAX	Janus Henderson Enterprise A	IJVMIX	JHancock Disciplined Value Mid Cap I
IVIMAX	Vanguard Mid Cap Index Adm	IFD-BCG	Fidelity Blue Chip Growth Fund
ICONTRA	Fidelity Contrafund	IFD-GRO	Fidelity Growth Company Fund
IFLCSX	Fidelity Large Cap Stock	IFD-OTC	Fidelity OTC Portfolio
IOIERX	J P Morgan Equity Income R5	IVFIAX	Vanguard 500 Index Fund - Admiral
IPUR	Fidelity Puritan	IBPRIIX	BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond Instl
IFTBFX	Fidelity Total Bond	ILLDYX	Lord Abbett Short Duration Income I
IVBILX	Vanguard Interim-Term Bond Index Adm	ISPAXX	Fidelity Government Money Market

COST OF ASSETS: The original cost of the assets in each investment option as of the last day of the plan year
CURRENT VALUE: The value of all assets in each investment option as of the last day of the plan year