

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). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2021</u> and ending <u>12/31/2021</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.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B	This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ the final 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 ☐ special extension (enter description) ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan <u>NOODLES & COMPANY 401(K) PLAN</u>
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>001</u>
1c	Effective date of plan <u>10/01/2003</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>NOODLES & COMPANY</u> <u>520 ZANG STREET</u> <u>SUITE D</u> <u>BROOMFIELD, CO 80021</u>
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>84-1303469</u>
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>720-214-1926</u>
2d	Business code (see instructions) <u>722513</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.	09/01/2022	CHRIS WATTS
	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	
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	6113
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)	3472
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2)	3159
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....		6b	0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits		6c	392
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d	3551
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.		6e	0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f	3551
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)		6g	129
h Number of participants who 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:			
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)

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 2021 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2021 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 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021	
A Name of plan NOODLES & COMPANY 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 NOODLES & COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 84-1303469

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
MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANUY

(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
41-0417830	66168	086051	3551	01/01/2021	12/31/2021

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

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
0	0

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

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

(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	769778
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	20599015

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:**a** State the basis of premium rates ▶

b	Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
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 ▶ **GROUP ANNUITY CONTRACT**

b	Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	0
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	3654
	(2) Dividends and credits.....	7c(2)	
	(3) Interest credited during the year.....	7c(3)	8706
	(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)	767833
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	929
	▶ CORRECTIVE ACTIVITY		
	(6) Total additions	7c(6)	781122
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	781122
e	Deductions:		
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	0
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....	7e(2)	11176
	(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)	168
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	
	▶		
	(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	11344
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	769778

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. Specify nature of costs.	10b	

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) 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
		2021
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 NOODLES & COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 84-1303469	

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	
NFP RETIREMENT	120 VANTIS SUITE 400 ALISO VIEJO, CA 92656

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

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

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
13 37 50 58 64	NONE	147905	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	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 ☐

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)

(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
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

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

Explanation:

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

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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	DFE/Participating Plan 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 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>NOODLES & COMPANY</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>84-1303469</u>	

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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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AMERICAN CENTURY MID CP VAL R6</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>41-0417830-192</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>0</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AM FNDS EUROPACIFIC GR R6</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>41-0417830-286</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>238461</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>INVESCO DEVELOPING MARKETS Y</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>41-0417830-301</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>0</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>AM BCN SM CP VAL ADV</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>41-0417830-303</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>0</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LARGE CAP GR I A</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>41-0417830-344</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>962700</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRINCIPAL REAL ESTATE SEC A</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>41-0417830-349</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>140156</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PGIM TOTAL RETURN BOND Z</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>41-0417830-382</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>0</u>	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ MOD RET FND I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-690	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1069779
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ MOD 2025 I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-691	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2220212
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ MOD 2035 I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-692	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 3750140
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ MOD 2045 I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-693	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 5342600
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ MOD 2055 I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-694	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 4094074
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ CONSRV RET I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-695	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 334
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ CONSRV 2025 I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-696	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 5887
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ CONSRV 2035 I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-697	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 334
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ CONSRV 2045 I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-698	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 5994
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **FLEXPATH INDEX+ CONSRV 2055 I1**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **MINNESOTA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-699	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 334
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FLEXPATH INDEX+ AGG RET FND I1

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

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-700	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2806
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FLEXPATH INDEX+ AGGR 2025 I1

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

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-701	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1321
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FLEXPATH INDEX+ AGGR 2035 I1

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

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-702	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 4700
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FLEXPATH INDEX+ AGGR 2045 I1

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

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-703	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 96314
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: FLEXPATH INDEX+ AGGR 2055 I1

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

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-704	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 20948
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINCIPAL MIDCAP A

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

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-756	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: MASTER SEPARATE ACCOUNT

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

c EIN-PN 41-0417830-900	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2641921
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

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

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

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

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs)

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

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	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
		2021
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection

For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021		
A Name of plan NOODLES & COMPANY 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 NOODLES & COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 84-1303469	

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash.....	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	359731	373582
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	17364442	20599015
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		769778
(15) Other.....	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d	Employer-related investments:		
(1)	Employer securities.....	1d(1)	
(2)	Employer real property.....	1d(2)	
e	Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	
f	Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	17724173 21742375
Liabilities			
g	Benefit claims payable	1g	
h	Operating payables	1h	
i	Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i	
j	Other liabilities.....	1j	97131 275508
k	Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	97131 275508
Net Assets			
l	Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	17627042 21466867

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.

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
Income			
a	Contributions:		
(1)	Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	329016
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	2072914
	(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	371716
(2)	Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)	
(3)	Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)	2773646
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)	19926
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	8706
	(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)	28632
(2)	Dividends: (A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)	
	(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	
	(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)	0
(3)	Rents	2b(3)	
(4)	Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	
	(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)	
	(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)	0
(5)	Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	
	(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	
	(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)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		2692045
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	2b(10)		
c Other income.....	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		5494323
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	1322247	
(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)		1322247
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f		184346
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees.....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	147905	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees.....	2i(3)		
(4) Other.....	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4).....	2i(5)		147905
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		1654498
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		3839825
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) ☒ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☒ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

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

(1) Name: BDO USA, LLP

(2) EIN: 13-5381590

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	

	Yes	No	Amount
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)			
4b		X	
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?	X		2000000
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	
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?		X	
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?		X	
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.)	X		
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.)		X	
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?		X	
4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	X		
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.	X		
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 Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined
If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

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 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). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021

A Name of plan NOODLES & COMPANY 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 NOODLES & COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 84-1303469

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	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): 41-0417830		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3	

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

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

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.

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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

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

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

- 14** Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:

a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....

14a

b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....

14b

c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....

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): _____

- 20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation _____



Noodles & Company 401(k) Plan

**Financial Statements and
Supplemental Schedule**
December 31, 2021 and 2020 and
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021

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Note: Other schedules required by Section 2520.103.10 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA have been omitted because they are not applicable.



Independent Auditor's Report

The Plan Administrator of
Noodles & Company 401(k) Plan
Broomfield, Colorado

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Noodles & Company 401(k) Plan (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's (DOL) Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency (qualified institution), provided that the investment information is prepared and certified to by the qualified institution in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and for the year ended December 31, 2021, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and the procedures performed as described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP); and
- the certified investment information in the accompanying financial statements agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by a qualified institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).



Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and for 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. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are issued or available to be issued.

Management is responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments. Management is also responsible for administering the Plan and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the *Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit* section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if, there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.



- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certifications, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of GAAP.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with GAAP.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matter – Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2021 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.



In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the certified investment information in the supplemental schedule agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by a qualified institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

BDO USA, LLP

August 31, 2022

Noodles & Company 401(k) Plan

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

<i>December 31,</i>	2021	2020
Assets:		
Investments, at fair value	\$ 20,599,015	\$ 17,364,442
Fully benefit-responsive investment contract, at contract value	769,778	-
Total investments	21,368,793	17,364,442
Receivables:		
Participant notes receivable	373,582	359,731
Total assets	21,742,375	17,724,173
Liabilities:		
Prefunded contributions	(91,162)	-
Excess contributions refundable	(184,346)	(97,131)
Total liabilities	(275,508)	(97,131)
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 21,466,867	\$ 17,627,042

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

<i>For the Year Ended December 31,</i>	<i>2021</i>
Additions to (deductions from) net assets attributed to:	
Contributions:	
Participant	\$ 2,072,914
Refunds of excess contributions (corrective distributions)	(184,346)
Participant rollovers	371,716
Employer contributions	329,016
Total contributions	2,589,300
Interest earned on notes receivable from participants	19,926
Investment income:	
Interest income	8,706
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	2,692,045
Net investment income	2,700,751
Administrative expenses	(147,905)
Benefits paid to participants and notes deemed distributed	(1,322,247)
Total deductions	(1,470,152)
Net increase	3,839,825
Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	17,627,042
Net assets available for benefits, end of year	\$ 21,466,867

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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1. Plan Description

The following brief description of the Noodles & Company 401(k) Plan (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan Document for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan established October 1, 2003 and amended and restated effective December 1, 2020, covering substantially all employees of Noodles & Company (the “Company”) that have reached the age of 21 and completed 30 days of service. Participants can enter the Plan on the first day of each month after meeting the eligibility requirements.

The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (“ERISA”). Independent contractors, residents of Puerto Rico, and tour guides are not eligible to participate in the Plan.

Issuer and Administration of the Plan

Minnesota Life Insurance Company (“MLIC” or “Issuer”) and Securian Financial (“Securian”) are the issuer of the insurance products held in the Plan and the recordkeeper, respectively. The administrator of the Plan is the Company. MLIC holds all assets of the Plan in accordance with the provisions of the insurance contract with the Company. The Company and the Plan’s Investment Advisor (the “Advisor”) determines the Plan’s investment offerings and monitors investment performance.

Participant Contributions

Eligible participants may contribute on a pre-tax or after-tax Roth basis up to 100 percent of their qualifying annual compensation, in 1 percent increments, as elected in their salary deferral agreements. Salary deferral agreements shall be made, terminated, or changed according to procedures and limitations set up by the plan administrator and the Plan Document. Participants may change their contribution percentages at any time. A participant may cease making pre-tax and after-tax Roth contributions at any time.

Deferral contributions (pre-tax and after-tax Roth) shall not exceed certain limits as set forth by the Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”). In addition, those participants age 50 or older are allowed additional catch-up contributions based on IRC limitations.

Rollover Contributions

Rollover contributions transferred from other qualified retirement plans or from Individual Retirement Accounts (“IRA”) are allowed as permitted by the Plan Document.

Employer Contributions

The Company may make a discretionary matching contribution in the amount determined by the Company. The discretionary matching contribution, if any, may be made based on a tiered formula as determined by the Company or limited to a specified percentage of compensation. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company made a matching contribution of 25% of participant

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deferrals up to 4% of eligible compensation on a pay period basis. The discretionary matching contribution is invested in the same manner as the participants' contributions. Additional qualified non-elective contributions may also be made to all participants that are active as of the last day of the Plan year. The Company did not make a qualified non-elective contribution for the year ended December 31, 2021.

Participant Accounts and Investment Options

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's deferral, rollover, Company discretionary matching, additional qualified non-elective and other Company discretionary contributions; an allocation of net plan earnings or losses; and charged with an allocation of expenses paid by the Plan. The investment earnings or losses are allocated to each participant's account in the proportion that the balance of each participant's account bears to the total balance of all participants in each investment option.

Participants may direct the investment of their account balances into various investment options offered by the Plan. Participants may make investment option changes at any time. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account balance.

Participant Notes Receivable

Participants are permitted to borrow from their accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum of the lesser of \$50,000 or 50 percent of their vested interest in the Plan. Participants may only have one outstanding note at any given time. Notes bear a reasonable rate of interest which is fixed through the term of the note. The maximum note term is five years. The notes are subject to certain restrictions, as defined by the Plan Document, and applicable restrictions under the IRC. Notes are considered delinquent 90 days after due. Participant notes held by the Plan bear an interest rate between 4.25 percent and 6.50 percent as of December 31, 2021.

Vesting

Participants are immediately 100 percent vested in their pre-tax deferral, Roth, catch-up and rollover contributions, qualified non-elective contributions, and the allocated earnings thereon. Company discretionary matching contributions and other discretionary contributions vest at 25 percent each year after one year of service becoming fully vested after four years. Upon death, total disability, reaching normal retirement age (age 59½), or termination of the Plan, a participant's account becomes fully vested.

Forfeitures

Forfeitures arising from non-vested contributions may be used to offset future discretionary Company contributions or to pay plan expenses. As of December 31, 2021, and 2020, there was a balance of \$717 and \$0, respectively, in the forfeiture accounts. During 2021, \$0 of forfeitures were used to reduce the employer discretionary contribution and \$7,845 were used to pay Plan expenses.

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Benefit Payments

A participant's vested interest in the Plan is payable upon death, attainment of normal retirement age (59½), becoming disabled, as defined, or termination of service. Upon termination of service, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount, leave the account in the Plan, or rollover the vested balance to another qualified plan or IRA. All terminated participants with an account balance of \$5,000 or less will be rolled over into an IRA in the name of the participant if they do not elect another form of distribution.

In-service and hardship withdrawals are also allowed by the Plan if certain criteria are met.

2. Summary of Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared using the accrual basis of accounting.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") requires the Plan's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are stated at fair value (as further described in Note 4, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*), except for the fully benefit-responsive investment contract which is valued at contract value. Fair value 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. The Plan's management determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisors and Trustee.

The Plan entered into the Guaranteed Return Account (the "Fund") issued by MLIC, which is a fixed-rate group annuity contract. The Fund meets the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore is reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. The Fund is a general account product and is credited with participant and employer contributions and earnings on the fund and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The investment contract issuer is contractually obligated to pay the principal and specified interest rates guaranteed. The effective annual interest rate can never be less than 0.25% and interest earned is compounded daily to the effective annual interest rate. The interest crediting rate is reset quarterly. The method for calculating the interest crediting rate is based on earnings of the underlying assets in the entire medium long-term portfolio compared to the minimum crediting rate, as stated in the contract, and prevailing market conditions.

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Certain events could limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value, including but not limited to, premature termination of the contract by the Plan, plant closings, layoffs, plan termination, bankruptcy, mergers, and early retirement incentives. This would cause a one-time adjustment to the aggregate contract value, resulting in a fair value different from the contract value; however, the plan administrator does not believe that any of these events would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value.

Interest income is recorded as earned on the accrual basis. Purchases and sales are recorded on a trade-date basis. The net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments represents the realized and unrealized gains and losses on the investments.

Contributions

Employee contributions and related Company discretionary matching contributions are recorded in the period payroll deductions are made. Amounts payable to participants in excess of amounts allowed by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") are recorded as a liability with a corresponding reduction to contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2021, the Company prefunded employee and employer contributions related to the 2022 plan year and they are recorded on the statement of net assets available for benefits.

Participant Notes Receivable

Participant notes receivable are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest is recorded on an accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed as incurred. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant loan balance to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

Benefit Payments

Benefits are recorded when paid. As of December 31, 2021, and 2020, there were no pending distributions.

Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly by the Company and are excluded from these financial statements. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants and distribution fees are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Additional recordkeeper and investor advisor fees are allocated to participant's accounts in the proportion that the balance of each participant's account bears to the total balance of all record-keeper and investor advisor fees. Certain additional fees may also be netted with investment earnings or losses.

3. Certified Investment Information

The plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulation for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, MLIC, a qualified institution, has certified the following information as of December 31, 2021, included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule as complete and accurate:

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- Investments and participant notes receivable as reported in the Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits as of December 31, 2021 and 2020;
- Net investment income and interest earned on participant notes receivable as reported in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits for the Year Ended December 31, 2021;
- Investment amounts included in the Notes to Financial Statements as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and investment information included in Supplemental Schedule - Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) - As of December 31, 2021.

At the request of the Plan Administrator, the Plan's independent auditors did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this certified investment information, except for comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements and supplemental schedule, reading the disclosures relating to the investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of GAAP and whether the supplemental schedule is in conformity with the DOL's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

4. Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures

Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820, provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under ASC 820 are described as follows:

Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted 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 specified (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.

A financial instrument's 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 maximize the use of relevant observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

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Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the valuation methodologies used at December 31, 2021 and 2020:

Insurance Company Pooled Separate Accounts: Are valued based on the redemption price of units held by the Plan, which is based on the fair value of the separate account's underlying assets. Unit values are determined daily by the Issuer by applying the net asset value ("NAV") of the underlying fund less a management fee. These funds are direct filing entities.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation method is 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 tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of December 31, 2021 and 2020:

December 31, 2021	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Investments measured at net asset value (a)				20,599,015
Total investments at fair value				\$ 20,599,015
December 31, 2020	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Investments measured at net asset value (a)				17,364,442
Total investments at fair value				\$ 17,364,442

- (a) In accordance with Subtopic 820-10, certain investments that were measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) practical expedient have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits.

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Investments Measured Using the Net Asset Value per Share Practical Expedient

The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2021 and 2020. There are no participant redemption restrictions for these investments; the redemption notice period is applicable only to the Plan.

<i>As of December 31,</i>	<i>Investment Type</i>	<i>Fair Value</i>	<i>Unfunded Commitments</i>	<i>Redemption Frequency</i>	<i>Redemption Notice Period</i>
2021	Pooled Separate Accounts	\$20,599,015	None	Daily	Up to 60 days
2020	Pooled Separate Accounts	\$17,364,442	None	Daily	Up to 60 days

5. Income Tax Status

The Plan adopted a Volume Submitter plan document sponsored by MLIC. The IRS has determined and informed MLIC, by an advisory letter dated March 31, 2014, that the Volume Submitter Profit Sharing Plan with CODA qualifies under Code Section 401. The Plan administrator believes that the Plan, as amended, is designed and being currently operated in compliance with the applicable sections of the IRC. Accordingly, no federal or state income taxes have been accrued in the accompanying 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; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

6. Related Party and Party-In-Interest Transactions

The Plan invests in pooled separate accounts and a guaranteed interest fund held in a group annuity contract issued by MLIC. Administrative fees were paid from the Plan to Securian its affiliates during the year ended December 31, 2021. Investor advisor fees were paid to the Advisor during the year ended December 31, 2021. The Plan also issues loans to participants which are secured by the vested balance of the participants' accounts. The above transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions, which are exempt from the prohibited transaction rules.

7. Plan Termination

Although the Company has not expressed any intent to discontinue the Plan, it may do so at any time. In the event of termination of the Plan, participants become fully vested in all accounts and the assets of the Plan and shall be distributed to the participants in proportion to their respective account balances.

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8. Concentrations, Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan provides for various investments in pooled separate accounts and a guaranteed interest fund. Investments, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility risk. Additionally, the value, liquidity and related income of the investments are sensitive to changes in economic conditions, and may be adversely affected by shifts in the market's perception of the issuers and changes in interest rates. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments and the level of uncertainty related to the changes in the value of investments, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits.

The macroeconomic impacts stemming from the conflict in Ukraine, and the potential impact and duration of the COVID-19 pandemic, continuing supply chain issues and rising inflation has continued to cause volatility in the markets. Any future impact on investments or the Plan remains uncertain.

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, there were four investments, which individually represented more than 10 percent of investments held. Refer to the supplemental Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) for a complete listing of investments held as of December 31, 2021.

9. Reconciliation of Financial Statements to Form 5500

Excess contributions refunded are reported net with participant contributions on the accompanying financial statements as required by current authoritative guidance; however, for Form 5500 purposes they are shown as distributions.

10. Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated subsequent events through August 31, 2022, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. There were no events or transactions discovered during the evaluation that require recognition or disclosure in the financial statements, other than those noted below.

The Plan was amended and restated to a prototype plan effective January 1, 2022. There were no significant changes to Plan provisions as a result of the restatement. The prototype plan has received an opinion letter from the IRS on June 30, 2020 stating that the prototype plan is designed in accordance with the applicable sections of the IRC.

Noodles & Company 401(k) Plan

Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) - As of December 31, 2021 EIN/PN: 84-1303469 / 001

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Identity of Issuer, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	Description of Investment including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	Cost**	Current Value	
Pooled Separate Accounts Held in a Group Annuity Contract:				
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	American Funds EuroPacific Growth R6 Fund	\$	238,461	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Principal LargeCap Gr I A		962,700	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Principal Real Estate Sec A		140,156	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Flexpath Index+ Mod Ret Fnd I1		1,069,779	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Flexpath Index+ Mod 2025 I1		2,220,212	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Flexpath Index+ Mod 2035 I1		3,750,140	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Flexpath Index+ Mod 2045 I1		5,342,600	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Flexpath Index+ Mod 2055 I1		4,094,074	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Flexpath Index+ Aggr 2035 I1		4,700	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Blackrock Equity Index 1		721,148	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Principal Short-term Inc Inst		75,086	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Principal SmallCap Gr I Instl		173,749	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Principal Equity Income Inst		142,607	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Consv Ret I1		334	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Consv 2025 I1		5,887	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Consv 2035 I1		334	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Consv 2045 I1		5,994	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Consv 2055 I1		334	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Agg Ret Fnd I1		2,806	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Aggr 2025 I1		1,321	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Aggr 2045 I1		96,314	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Index+ Aggr 2055 I1		20,948	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Mid Cap Growth Fund CL I1		555,138	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	BRck Mid Eq Idx Fnd CL R		138,901	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	FlexPATH Emerging Markets I1		232,237	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Small Cap Value Fund II CL I1		60,918	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Core Plus Bond Fund CL I1		169,701	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	BlackRock Russ 2000 Idx Fund R		293,610	
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	Mid Cap Value Fnd Fee Class R1		78,826	
Total Pooled Separate Accounts				20,599,015
Fixed Annuity Contract:				
* Minnesota Life Insurance Company	MN Life Guaranteed Return Acct, crediting interest rate of 1.75%		769,778	
Total investments per Financial Statements				21,368,793
* Participant Loans	Interest rates of 4.25% to 6.5% with various maturity dates through 2026		373,582	
Total Investments per Form 5500			\$	21,742,375

* A party-in-interest as defined by ERISA.

** The cost of participant-directed investments is not required to be disclosed.

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	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 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning		and ending
A Name of plan	B Three-digit plan number (PN)	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500	D Employer Identification Number (EIN)	

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

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash.....	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)		

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		

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		
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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)		
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)		
(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)		
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		
(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)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

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

Expenses

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

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		
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) ☐ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

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

(1) Name:

(2) EIN:

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			

	Yes	No	Amount
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)			
4b			
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			
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			
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?			
4e			
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			
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			
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			
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			
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			
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			
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?			
4l			
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)			
4m			
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			
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 Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.			

Attachment to 2021 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

Plan Name Noodles & Company 401(k) Plan

EIN: 84-1303469

Plan Sponsor's Name Noodles & Company

PN: 001

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	American Century Mid Cp Val R6 Pooled Separate Account		92,136
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Am Fnds Europacific Gr R6 Pooled Separate Account		264,248
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Invesco Developing Markets Y Pooled Separate Account		241,111
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Am Bcn Sm Cp Val Adv Pooled Separate Account		55,565
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Prin LargeCap Gr I A Pooled Separate Account		951,183
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Principal Real Estate Sec A Pooled Separate Account		123,719
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	PGIM Total Return Bond Z Pooled Separate Account		200,242

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*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Mod Ret Fnd I1 Pooled Separate Account		1,038,791
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Mod 2025 I1 Pooled Separate Account		2,119,928
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Mod 2035 I1 Pooled Separate Account		3,466,062
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Mod 2045 I1 Pooled Separate Account		5,049,520
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Mod 2055 I1 Pooled Separate Account		3,730,107
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Consvr 2025 I1 Pooled Separate Account		5,198
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Consvr 2045 I1 Pooled Separate Account		5,176

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*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Agg Ret Fnd I1 Pooled Separate Account		1,479
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Aggr 2025 I1 Pooled Separate Account		481
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Aggr 2035 I1 Pooled Separate Account		3,354
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Aggr 2045 I1 Pooled Separate Account		88,256
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	flexPATH Index+ Aggr 2055 I1 Pooled Separate Account		18,569
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Principal MidCap A Pooled Separate Account		544,597
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	BlackRock Equity Index 1 Pooled Separate Account		645,422

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*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Prin SmCap Gr I Instl Pooled Separate Account		168,652
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Principal Short-Term Inc Inst Pooled Separate Account		75,612
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Prin MidCap S&P 400 Idx Inst Pooled Separate Account		124,780
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Prin SmCap S&P 600 Idx Inst Pooled Separate Account		278,782
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Principal Equity Income Inst Pooled Separate Account		182,062
*	MN Life Insurance Co.	Guaranteed Return Account Insurance Company General Account group contract		772,534
*	Participant Loans			373,722