

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>	
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C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☒	
D Check box if filing under:	☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
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Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information											
1a Name of plan <u>HEAT & FROST INSULATORS & ASBESTOS WORKERS LOCAL 38 WELFARE BENEFIT</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>HEAT & FROST INSULATORS & ASBESTOS WORKERS LOCAL 38</u> <u>315-317 NORTH WASHINGTON STREET</u> <u>WILKES-BARRE, PA 18705</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="text-align: center; padding: 5px;"><u>501</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 5px;">1c Effective date of plan <u>07/01/1961</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 5px;">2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>23-6283938</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 5px;">2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>570-829-0634</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 5px;">2d Business code (see instructions) <u>238900</u></td> </tr> </table>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>501</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>07/01/1961</u>		2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>23-6283938</u>		2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>570-829-0634</u>		2d Business code (see instructions) <u>238900</u>	
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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.	05/08/2023	THOMAS PATRICK WRIGHT
	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
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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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 90
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7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7 22
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)	
a Pension Schedules (1) ☐ R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	b General Schedules (1) ☐ H (Financial Information) (2) ☒ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☒ <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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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 HEAT & FROST INSULATORS & ASBESTOS WORKERS LOCAL 38	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 23-6283938	

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
GEISINGER HEALTH PLAN

(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
23-2311553	95923	10118925	84	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.
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(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
50650	50

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
MCGRIFF INSURANCE SERVICES, INC. 9 N CENTRE STREET SUITE 200 POTTSVILLE, PA 17901

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
50650	50	BROKER FEE	3

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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

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

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

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

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

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity
(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶

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

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

a Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee
(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶

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

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)	0
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)	0
(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)	0
(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	1149315
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 I (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information—Small Plan 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
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Complete Schedule I if the plan covered fewer than 100 participants as of the beginning of the plan year. You may also complete Schedule I if you are filing as a small plan under the 80-120 participant rule (see instructions). Complete Schedule H if reporting as a large plan or DFE.

Part I	Small Plan Financial Information
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Report below the current value of assets and liabilities, income, expenses, transfers and changes in net assets during the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Do not enter the value of the portion of an insurance contract that guarantees during this plan year to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. 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.**

1 Plan Assets and Liabilities:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total plan assets	1a	281389	0
b Total plan liabilities.....	1b	102393	0
c Net plan assets (subtract line 1b from line 1a).....	1c	178996	0
2 Income, Expenses, and Transfers for this Plan Year:		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions received or receivable:			
(1) Employers	2a(1)	0	
(2) Participants.....	2a(2)	0	
(3) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(3)	0	
b Noncash contributions.....	2b	0	
c Other income	2c	0	
d Total income (add lines 2a(1), 2a(2), 2a(3), 2b, and 2c)	2d		0
e Benefits paid (including direct rollovers)	2e	0	
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f	0	
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g	0	
h Administrative service providers (salaries, fees, and commissions).....	2h	0	
i Other expenses.....	2i	0	
j Total expenses (add lines 2e, 2f, 2g, 2h, and 2i)	2j		0
k Net income (loss) (subtract line 2j from line 2d).....	2k		0
l Transfers to (from) the plan (see instructions)	2l		-178996

3 Specific Assets: If the plan held assets at any time during the plan year in any of the following categories, check "Yes" and enter the current value of any assets remaining in the plan as of the end of the plan year. Allocate the value of the plan's interest in a commingled trust containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the trust meets one of the specific exceptions described in the instructions.				
		Yes	No	Amount
a Partnership/joint venture interests	3a		X	
b Employer real property	3b		X	
c Real estate (other than employer real property)	3c		X	
d Employer securities.....	3d		X	
e Participant loans	3e		X	
f Loans (other than to participants)	3f		X	
g Tangible personal property	3g		X	

Part II Compliance Questions

4 During the plan year:		Yes	No	Amount
a	Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
4a			X	
b	Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by the participant's account balance.		X	
4b			X	
c	Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible?		X	
4c			X	
d	Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a.)		X	
4d			X	
e	Was the plan covered by a fidelity bond?		X	
4e			X	
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 at any time hold 20% or more of its assets in any single security, debt, mortgage, parcel of real estate, or partnership/joint venture interest?		X	
4i			X	
j	Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	X		
4j		X		
k	Are you claiming a waiver of the annual examination and report of an independent qualified public accountant (IQPA) under 29 CFR 2520.104-46? If "No," attach an IQPA's report or 2520.104-50 statement. (See instructions on waiver eligibility and conditions.)	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.)			
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)
FULLY INSURED UNDER 410(E)(3)	23-6283938	501

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 _____.

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Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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	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			
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a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2) 84
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....	6b 0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c 0
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c.....	6d 84
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6h
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(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	(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 _____

FORM 5500: STATEMENT OF REASONABLE CAUSE FOR LATE FILING

Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers Local 38 Welfare Benefit

EIN/PN: 23-6283938 / 501

Plan Year Ended: December 31, 2021

This Statement is submitted by the Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers Local 38 Welfare & Benefit plan (hereinafter "The Plan") with the belief that reasonable cause has been established for the Plan to submit the Form 5500 after the due date. Please allow this statement to also serve as a request for abatement and waiver of all late filing penalties and fees.

First, the Plan is not required to submit a Form 5500 for the 2021 Plan Year. The Plan is a collectively bargained multiemployer benefit plan which became fully insured. For the plan year ending 2021 the Plan covered between 84 and 90 participants. Therefore, pursuant to Department of Labor regulation Section 2520.104-44 a Form 5500 is not required since the Plan is fully insured and covers less than 100 Participants. Notwithstanding this requirement, out of an abundance of caution, the Plan is submitting a Form 5500 for the 2021 Plan Year indicating that it is a "final return/report".

Secondly, the Plan experienced difficulty in obtaining necessary information. In April 2022, the Plan was advised that the service provider that had historically prepared and filed the for Form 5500 would not be preparing the 2021 filing. At that point steps were taken by the Plan to find a new service provider who could assist with the filing of the Form 5500. Shortly thereafter, the Plan secured a new service provider who agreed to assist with the filing of the Form 5500. The new service provider determined that there was a substantial amount of information that was required from the prior service provider in order to prepare the 2021 Form 5500. Steps were then taken to obtain that information which was not fully provided until late April 2023.

The Plan believes that there is reasonable cause for failing to file the Form 5500 within the required period of time. As stated, the Form is not required pursuant to DOL regulation Section 2520.104-44 and therefore The Plan is not in violation of any Department of Labor regulation. The Plan will continue to monitor the number of participants to determine whether the continued exemption applies. If the exemption no longer applies the Plan will file a timely 5500 form. Secondly, the Plan believes reasonable cause for the delay in filing is established based upon the unusual circumstance of the termination of service provider and the substantial delay caused by the service provider's inability to provide the information required to prepare the Form 5500. To our knowledge, the Plan has never been delinquent in filing the Form 5500 in the past and you can be assured that the Plan recognizes the importance of complying with DOL regulations and the filing of the Form 5500 if required by the regulations. If appropriate, the Plan is still willing to submit the Form 5500 through the Delinquent Filing Program.

It should be noted that the Plan is in contact with the DOL on this matter via Case #: 23-0430N.

The Plan is requesting a waiver or abatement of any penalty for the late filing of the Form 5500.