

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 ☐ the final return/report ☒ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.	☐
D Check box if filing under:	☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
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>PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: center;"><u>334</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2021</u></td> </tr> </table>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>334</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2021</u>	
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1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2021</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>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u> <u>711 HIGH STREET</u> <u>DES MOINES, IA 50392</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>42-0127290</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>800-986-3343</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2d Business code (see instructions) <u>524140</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="height: 40px;"></td> </tr> </table>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>42-0127290</u>	2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>800-986-3343</u>	2d Business code (see instructions) <u>524140</u>	
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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.	06/20/2023	RENEE HECKMAN
	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	9029
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)	8888
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2)	11256
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits.....		6b	0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits		6c	244
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d	11500
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.		6e	0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f	11500
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)		6g	2881
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested		6h	62
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: 2A 2E 2G 2J 2K 2S 2T 3D			
b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:			
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☒ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor		9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☒ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	
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>2</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 PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 334
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 42-0127290

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
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
42-0127290	61271	467968	11500	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 1060	(b) Total amount of fees paid 220
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
SECURIAN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC 400 ROBERT ST N
SAINT PAUL, MN 55101-2037

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
808	0		3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
PRINCIPAL SECURITIES INC 711 HIGH ST
DES MOINES, IA 50392-0001

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
191	0		3

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

LPL FINANCIAL LLC

ATTN ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
4707 EXECUTIVE DR
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121-3091

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
54	0		3

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

FIRST CITIZENS INVESTOR SERVICES, I

ATTN JENNIFER FOSTER
100 E TRYON RD
RALEIGH, NC 27603-3581

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
5	0		3

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

BELL ANDERSON AGENCY INC

ATTN KATHY WATSON
600 SW 39TH ST STE 200
RENTON, WA 98057-4919

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
2	0		3

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

NATIONAL BENEFIT SERVICES, LLC

8523 S REDWOOD RD
WEST JORDAN, UT 84088

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
0	220	REFERRAL/SERVICE FEE	3

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

SAGEPOINT FINANCIAL INC

PO BOX 842643
LOS ANGELES, CA 90084-2643

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

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	0
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	0

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 ▶ **CUSTODIAL GUARANTEED OPTION GROUP ANNUITY CONTRACT**

b	Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	0
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c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	177197	
	(2) Dividends and credits.....	7c(2)		
	(3) Interest credited during the year.....	7c(3)	15692	
	(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)		
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	3151192	

▶ **INVESTMENT TRANSFERS, OT TRANSFERS, ROLLOVER CONT TRANSFERS, LOAN PAYMENTS**

(6) Total additions	7c(6)	3344081
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d	Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	3344081
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e Deductions:

	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	31420	
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....	7e(2)	8369	
	(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)		
	(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	19852	

▶ **INVESTMENT TRANSFERS, 401(K)M REFUND, LOAN WITHDRAWALS**

(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	59641
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f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	3284440
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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. ▶

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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
42-0127290	61271	820202	11500	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 1060	(b) Total amount of fees paid 7287
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
SECURIAN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC 400 ROBERT ST N
SAINT PAUL, MN 55101-2037

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
558	0		3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
LPL FINANCIAL LLC ATTN ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE
4707 EXECUTIVE DR
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121-3091

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
323	0		3

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

PRINCIPAL SECURITIES INC

711 HIGH ST
DES MOINES, IA 50392-0001

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
154	0		3

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

BELL ANDERSON AGENCY INC

ATTN KATHY WATSON
600 SW 39TH ST STE 200
RENTON, WA 98057-4919

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
9	0		3

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

FIRST CITIZENS INVESTOR SERVICES, I

ATTN JENNIFER FOSTER
100 E TRYON RD
RALEIGH, NC 27603-3581

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
8	0		3

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

NEW YORK LIFE SECURITIES

ATTN ROGER CORTEZ
51 MADISON AVE RM 251
NEW YORK, NY 10010-1603

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
5	0		3

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

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL INVESTMENT SERV

ATTN IPS COMPENSATION
720 E WISCONSIN AVE
MILWAUKEE, WI 53202-4703

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
2	0		3

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

AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

70911 AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL CTR
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474-0001

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
1	0		3

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

NATIONAL BENEFIT SERVICES LLC

8523 S REDWOOD RD
WEST JORDAN, UT 84088

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
0	7287	REFERRAL/SERVICE FEE	3

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

SAGEPOINT FINANCIAL INC

PO BOX 842643
LOS ANGELES, CA 90084-2643

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

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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	0
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	2962246

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.**6d**

Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) ☐ individual policies (2) ☐ group deferred annuity(3) ☐ other (specify) ▶**f** If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ☐**7** Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)**a** Type of contract: (1) ☐ deposit administration (2) ☐ immediate participation guarantee(3) ☐ guaranteed investment (4) ☐ other ▶**b** Balance at the end of the previous year**7b****c** Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year**7c(1)**

(2) Dividends and credits.....

7c(2)

(3) Interest credited during the year.....

7c(3)

(4) Transferred from separate account.....

7c(4)

(5) Other (specify below)

7c(5)

▶

(6) Total additions

7c(6)**d** Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**)**7d****e** Deductions:

(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year

7e(1)

(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....

7e(2)

(3) Transferred to separate account.....

7e(3)

(4) Other (specify below)

7e(4)

▶

(5) Total deductions

7e(5)**f** Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)**7f**

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

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

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
b ☐ Dental
c ☐ Vision
d ☐ Life insurance
e ☐ Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
f ☐ Long-term disability
g ☐ Supplemental unemployment
h ☐ Prescription drug
i ☐ Stop loss (large deductible)
j ☐ HMO contract
k ☐ PPO contract
l ☐ Indemnity contract
m ☐ Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

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

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount. 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
		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 PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	334
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 42-0127290	

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
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
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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 64	CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR	95133	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

MORNINGSTAR INVESTMENT MGMT LLC

36-4317381

(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?
26 70	INV ADV, PARTICIPANTS	0	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

WILSHIRE ASSOCIATES INCORPORATED

95-2755361

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27 72	INVESTMENT ADVISORY	0	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒	0	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
MORNINGSTAR INVESTMENT MGMT LLC	26 70	0
(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.	
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY 42-0127290	14 BASIS POINTS ON ASSETS MANAGED BY MORNINGSTAR INVESTMENT MGMT	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
WILSHIRE ASSOCIATES INCORPORATED	27 72	0
(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.	
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY 42-0127290	5 BASIS POINTS ANNUALLY ON ELIGIBLE PLAN ASSETS IN WILSHIRE 3(38) FIDUCIARY SERVICE	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

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

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

Explanation:

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

Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	DFE/Participating Plan Information 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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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021

A Name of plan <u>PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) <u>334</u>
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>42-0127290</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>PRIN SMCAP S&P 600 INDEX SA-Z</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-028</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>542899</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN MIDCAP S&P 400 IDX SA-Z</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-023</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>777167</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LARGE CAP GROWTH I SA-Z</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-066</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>1226808</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN FIN GRP, INC. STOCK SA-R6</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>42-0127290-086</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 LIFETIME HYBR 2010 CIT Z</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>26-6447574-001</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>183869</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2015 CIT Z</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>26-6447574-002</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>1538980</u>	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2020 CIT Z</u>			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO</u>			
c EIN-PN <u>26-6447574-003</u>	d Entity code <u>C</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>1415040</u>	

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2025 CIT Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO		
c EIN-PN 26-6447574-004	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 3664724
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2030 CIT Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO		
c EIN-PN 26-6447574-005	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 4858876
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2035 CIT Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO		
c EIN-PN 26-6447574-006	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 3293686
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2040 CIT Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO		
c EIN-PN 26-6447574-007	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 3156926
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2045 CIT Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO		
c EIN-PN 26-6447574-008	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 2300880
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2050 CIT Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO		
c EIN-PN 26-6447574-009	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1852513
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2055 CIT Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO		
c EIN-PN 26-6447574-010	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1169188
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN LIFETIME HYBR INC CIT Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO		
c EIN-PN 26-6447574-011	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 83614
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINCIPAL OVERSEAS SEP ACCT-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-116	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 392733
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN GL REAL EST SEC SA-Z		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-136	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 22641

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2060 CIT Z**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO**

c EIN-PN 26-6447574-012	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 570521
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: **PRIN LIFETIME HYBR 2065 CIT Z**

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): **PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO**

c EIN-PN 26-6447574-013	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 150471
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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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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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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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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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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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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
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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 PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	334
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 42-0127290	

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		1687480
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		154539
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)		242015
(3) Other	1b(3)		66976
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)		475037
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9)		24239289
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		2962248
(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)		9592358
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		3284440
(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	0 42704382
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	0 0
Net Assets			
l	Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	0 42704382

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
a	Contributions:		
(1)	Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	1229619
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	3445456
	(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	3840633
(2)	Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)	
(3)	Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)	8515708
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)	9075
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	15691
	(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)	24766
(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)	66959
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)	66959
(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)		645358
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		75990
(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)		148158
c Other income.....	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		9476939
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	423291	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other.....	2e(3)	9248	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3).....	2e(4)		432539
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f		14087
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		31221
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees.....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	95319	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees.....	2i(3)	124	
(4) Other.....	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4).....	2i(5)		95443
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		573290
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		8903649
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		33800733
(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: CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP

(2) EIN: 41-0746749

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		712470

	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?			
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?			
4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?			
4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?			
4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)			
4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)			
4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?			
4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?			
4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)			
4m		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			
4n			

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 PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 334
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 42-0127290

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): 42-0127290		
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.

Schedule R (Form 5500) 2021
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Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

- 14** Enter the number of 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 _____



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

PEP Governance Committee
Principal EASE 401(k) Plan
Des Moines, Iowa

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

We have performed an audit of the accompanying financial statements of Principal EASE 401(k) 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) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the Principal EASE 401(k) 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 Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit 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, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of 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 audit and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, 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.
- The information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Principal EASE 401(k) Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, 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 Principal EASE 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, 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.

Auditors' 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 of the Financial Statements 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 auditors' 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 Principal EASE 401(k) 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 Principal EASE 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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 Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of delinquent participant contributions and assets (held at end of year) as of or for the year ended December 31, 2021 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor'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 schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit 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 schedules 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 schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion

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



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Minneapolis, Minnesota
June 16, 2023

Name of Adopter	EIN	% of Total Cont	Agg Acct Bal
Advanced Contracting Group 401(k) Plan	46-5165666	0.69%	2,832,684.00
Aloha Dental 401(k) Plan	20-2610606	1.07%	740,012.00
Anchor Law Firm PLLC 401(k) Plan	81-1020279	0.33%	16,335.00
BEK Management Services Inc. 401(k) Plan	27-4533125	0.29%	28,620.00
Bester Brothers Transfer and Storage Company 401(k) Plan	41-1240451	0.43%	2,122,543.00
Bison Metals Technologies, LLC 401(k) Plan	84-4030613	3.10%	147,332.00
Boulder Legal Group 401(k) Plan	47-5334701	0.13%	30,912.00
Burnette Legal Group LLC 401(k) Plan	83-2764626	0.99%	63,051.00
C&T Durham Trucking 401(k) Plan	56-1511224	2.55%	120,990.00
Child Care Answers of Central Indiana 401(k) Plan	84-4767288	0.62%	45,931.00
Christine Ebert-Santos PC 401(k) Plan	84-1520443	1.01%	764,677.00
Climate Pro Mechanical, Inc. 401(k) Plan	20-3740979	0.07%	3,410.00
COR Health Services 401(K) Plan	47-3055148	0.34%	95,823.00
Cordova Seafoods, Inc. dba Mrs Peters Smokehouse 401(k) Plan	84-2268945	0.16%	7,671.00
Custom Veterinary Services, LLC 401(k) Plan	35-2298854	0.63%	58,235.00
Danzeisen Dairy 401(k) Plan	86-1047333	1.83%	86,857.00
DIG in the Park, LLC 401(K)	27-3416640	1.19%	57,220.00
Donald Norris Associates, PLLC 401(k) Plan	81-4553051	0.19%	11,671.00
Drywall Services Inc. 401(k) Plan	84-1038370	1.68%	79,869.00
DTG Enterprises, Inc. 401(k) Plan	60-2747951	8.50%	532,919.00
Elite Auto Services 401(k) Plan	27-0895493	0.21%	10,236.00
Fayman Group USA 401(k) Plan	85-2345907	0.64%	125,708.00
Frantz Building Services, Inc. 401(k) Plan	61-1088600	0.66%	1,782,204.00
G & Z Transport, LLC.	45-2838185	6.16%	460,989.00
Garrison Hullinger Interior Design, Inc 401(k) Plan	27-3127735	0.54%	318,481.00
Government Business Results, LLC 401(k) Plan	46-1648238	2.26%	681,944.00
Grade A Construction, LLC 401(k) Plan	46-4286628	0.07%	3,224.00
Great Lakes Law Firm LLC 401(k) Plan	82-4703758	0.00%	118.00
Green Legal Group LLC	84-4288949	0.26%	2,283.00
Harbor Legal Group LLC 401(k) Plan	46-5608404	0.01%	173.00
Heller Brothers Packing Corp 401(k) Plan	59-1859302	0.94%	4,717,319.00
Hershberger Foods, LLC 401(K) Plan	86-2710968	0.00%	0.00
Hodyno & Associates PLCC 401(k) Plan	82-2452435	0.17%	5,460.00

Huali Group US, LLC 401(k) Plan	84-4060732	1.78%	269,107.00
Hubbard Garage Inc dba Hubbard Chevrolet 401(k) Plan	93-0564106	0.54%	582,688.00
Iacofano Group 401(k) Plan	45-0488725	0.58%	27,980.00
Independent Home Care Management Solutions 401(k) Plan	83-4702688	1.08%	47,249.00
Integra Affordable Management 401(k) Plan	82-2672307	0.00%	4,416.00
Invisible Wires LLC dba Farrellis Pizza	91-2184557	4.89%	233,073.00
JN House Enterprises Inc. 401(k) Plan	80-0431576	0.50%	1,126,562.00
John Perdue Inc 401(k) Plan	34-1848543	1.51%	1,524,465.00
Kilroy Arches, Inc. 401(k) Plan	47-2168554	0.06%	8,100.00
Kilroy Restaurants Inc. 401(k) Plan	91-1967518	0.01%	1,691,370.00
Kitchen United, Inc. 401(k) Plan	82-1241614	2.93%	140,898.00
Lambert & Associates, LLC 401(k) Plan	36-4855863	0.51%	24,534.00
LandCare Innovations, DBA Granite Hills Group	85-3337407	0.51%	23,726.00
Law Office of Melissa Michel LLC 401(k) Plan	84-2891244	0.14%	7,169.00
Lawyers for Civil Rights 401(k) Plan	04-3490614	0.42%	40,276.00
Linvilla Orchards, Inc. 401(k) Plan	23-2491246	2.79%	1,124,824.00
Mavencare Inc 401(k) Plan	81-2432898	0.35%	22,786.00
Mission Management Services 401(k) Plan	20-1026550	0.63%	49,462.00
Moadon Kol Chadash 401(k) Plan	36-3843627	0.27%	12,830.00
MS Ambrogio North America LLC 401(k) Plan	87-1678874	4.89%	2,595,874.00
New Angus LLC 401(k) Plan	46-4983941	7.60%	427,005.00
Nova Animal Hospital, Inc. 401(k) Plan	46-0923171	0.95%	45,706.00
Onesti Entertainment Corporation 401(k) Plan	36-4252964	0.04%	1,948.00
Parking Concepts, Inc. 401(k) Plan	95-2909899	0.54%	25,806.00
Petersen Pet Hospital, PC 401(k) Plan	02-0685684	0.18%	1,052,342.00
Petriage, Inc. 401(k) Plan	81-3469568	0.15%	139,214.00
Pineapple Willy's Inc. 401(k) Plan	59-3221137	0.38%	18,143.00
Plasti-Products Inc. 401(k) Plan	47-0641342	0.24%	11,582.00
Precision Workforce, LLC 401(k) Plan	47-5520663	1.83%	313,897.00
Progressive Care Medical Group of MI, PLLC 401(k) Plan	82-3326091	0.25%	52,009.00
Progressive Care Medical Group of TN, PLLC 401(k) Plan	82-2171018	0.70%	64,744.00
Progressive Care Medical Group, PLLC 401(k) Plan	82-1347438	0.49%	294,227.00
Progressive Care Solutions Holdco LLC 401(k) Plan	82-1991622	0.06%	79,038.00
Raggio & Associates 401(k) Plan	81-4415395	0.44%	19,521.00

RAHE Inc. 401(K) Plan	54-0917418	1.33%	61,214.00
Rampart Communications, Inc. 401(k) Plan	81-1722022	1.13%	56,035.00
RSS Insurance Services, Inc. 401(k) Plan	84-0577231	1.30%	787,534.00
Sardo & Son Warehousing, Inc. 401(k) Plan	51-0105489	1.68%	88,065.00
Sean Clines Framing, Inc. 401(k) Plan	22-3904924	0.65%	31,232.00
Seattle Home Fitness, LLC 401(k) Plan	20-1991199	3.76%	179,731.00
Sente Development Inc. 401(k) Plan	27-5184022	0.22%	10,582.00
SLB of Iowa LLC dba Panera Bread of Iowa 401(k) Plan	42-1462712	1.13%	1,919,283.00
Stepping Stones ELC 401(K) Plan	83-1205513	0.76%	36,081.00
T&M Pork, LLC 401(k) Plan	87-1812808	0.09%	269,613.00
The Range NYC LLC 401(k) Plan	47-5683578	0.41%	132,963.00
Thrift Intermediate Holdings I, Inc. 401(k) Plan	84-3008233	0.38%	800,153.00
Union Square Physician Services, P.C. 401(k) Plan	83-4280325	2.56%	139,990.00
Vault Medical Services of New Jersey, P.C. 401(k) Plan	85-1238170	0.14%	6,873.00
Vault Medical Services, P.A. 401(k) Plan	83-2658606	1.23%	105,666.00
Wax Center Partners Intermediate Holdco LLC 401(k) Plan	86-2296685	0.20%	9,593.00
Wayzata Country Club 401(k) Plan	41-0778776	2.27%	4,366,179.00
Windcrest Animal Hospital, Inc. 401(k) Plan	51-0269407	4.76%	5,579,147.00

Pooled Employer Plan/Pooled Plan Provider Information

1a. Is the pooled plan provider currently in compliance with the requirements for filing the Form PR?

Yes

1b. AckID: e04c9d73-21e3-4636-96d7-7b144af4fec3

PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
ERISA-REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

PEP Governance Committee
Principal EASE 401(k) Plan
Des Moines, Iowa

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

We have performed an audit of the accompanying financial statements of Principal EASE 401(k) 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) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of the Principal EASE 401(k) 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 Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit 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, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of 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 audit and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, 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.
- The information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Principal EASE 401(k) Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, 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 Principal EASE 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, 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.

Auditors' 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 of the Financial Statements 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 auditors' 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 Principal EASE 401(k) 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 Principal EASE 401(k) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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 Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of delinquent participant contributions and assets (held at end of year) as of or for the year ended December 31, 2021 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor'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 schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit 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 schedules 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 schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion

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



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Minneapolis, Minnesota
June 16, 2023

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

ASSETS

NONINTEREST-BEARING CASH	\$ 1,687,480
INVESTMENTS (at Fair Value)	36,793,688
INVESTMENTS (at Contract Value)	3,284,439
RECEIVABLES	
Employee Contributions	242,015
Employer Contributions	154,539
Notes Receivable from Participants	475,021
Assets Due from Other Qualified Plans	<u>66,976</u>
Total Receivables	<u>938,551</u>
 Total Assets	 42,704,158

LIABILITIES

EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS PAYABLE	<u>69,044</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u><u>\$ 42,635,114</u></u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021**

ADDITIONS:

INVESTMENT INCOME

Net Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 885,971
Interest and Dividends	66,898
Total Investment Income	<u>952,869</u>

**INTEREST INCOME ON NOTES RECEIVABLE
FROM PARTICIPANTS**

9,019

CONTRIBUTIONS

Employee Contributions	3,376,412
Employer Contributions	1,229,619
Employee Rollover Contributions	3,840,633
Total Contributions	<u>8,446,664</u>

Total Additions 9,408,552

DEDUCTIONS:

BENEFITS PAID TO PARTICIPANTS 478,725

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES 95,446

Total Deductions 574,171

NET INCREASE BEFORE TRANSFERS IN 8,834,381

TRANSFERS IN FROM OTHER QUALIFIED PLANS 33,800,733

NET INCREASE 42,635,114

NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:

Beginning of Year	<u>-</u>
End of Year	<u><u>\$ 42,635,114</u></u>

See accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of Principal EASE 401(k) Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document and the applicable participation agreement for the participant's employer (Participating Employer), for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan a Pooled Employer Plan (PEP) established by Principal Life Insurance Company, the Pooled Plan Provider (PPP). The Plan was established under the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019 (SECURE Act) on January 1, 2021. The Plan a defined contribution plan covering eligible employees of the Participating Employers, and is intended to qualify under Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (IRC or Code), sections 401(a) and 501(a). The Plan is intended to constitute a multiple employer plan, as described under Code sections 410(a), 411, 413, and 415. Each Participating Employer elects their own provisions related to eligibility, contributions, notes receivable from participants, and payments of benefits. The Plan is subject to the applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA).

Eligibility

Only those employees of any particular Participating Employer who are designated by the Participating Employer in its participation agreement as eligible employees shall be eligible to participate in the Plan. Participating Employers may define eligibility requirements based on factors such as age, service, or employee type. Eligible employees shall be eligible to make participant contributions and receive allocations of employer contributions if and to the extent specified in the applicable adoption agreement or otherwise provided by the Plan.

Contributions

Each year eligible participants may make pre-tax, Roth, and/or after-tax contributions of their eligible compensation, as defined by the Plan and Participating Employer participation agreement, subject to applicable limits established by law. Participating Employers may elect safe harbor or nonsafe harbor contribution provisions as well as compensation definitions. Under certain circumstances, eligible employees may make rollover contributions to the Plan. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants direct their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

The Participating Employers in the Plan may elect automatic enrollment and escalation features. Accordingly, the Participating Employer will automatically withhold a defined percentage of an eligible participant's compensation based on the Participating Employer's participation agreement, unless the participant affirmatively opts out.

Under the terms of the Participating Employer participation agreements, the Participating Employers may elect to make matching contributions, nonelective contributions, prevailing wage contributions, qualified nonelective contributions (QNECs) or qualified matching contributions (QMACs) to the Plan. Participating Employers may also elect to make true-up matching contributions.

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (CONTINUED)

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, Participating Employer contributions (if applicable), and an allocation of Plan earnings or losses. Participant accounts are charged with an allocation of administrative expenses that are paid by the Plan. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, or participant transactions, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided by the participant's vested account.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Participating Employer contribution portion of their accounts, plus actual earnings thereon, is based on years of service ranging from immediate to six years graded or cliff vesting, as elected by each Participating Employer.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. The notes are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a rate commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined quarterly by the PPP. Principal and interest is paid ratably through payroll deductions.

Benefit Payments

Upon termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive the value of the vested interest in their account in the form of a lump sum distribution or installments based on the Participating Employer's participation agreement. The Plan allows for in-service distributions if a participant reaches age 59½ and hardship distributions subject to the Participating Employer's participation agreement. If a participant terminates employment and the participant's account balance does not exceed \$1,000, the benefit payment is paid without the participant's consent and is paid in the form of a single lump sum. As defined in the Participating Employer's participation agreement, if the balance of the terminated participant's account is between \$1,000 and \$5,000, the PPP may authorize that the benefit payment be rolled into an individual retirement account in the participant's name.

Forfeited Accounts

Forfeited nonvested accounts can be used to pay administrative expenses and to reduce future Participating Employer contributions. Forfeited nonvested accounts as of December 31, 2021, totaled \$22,697. There were \$17,402 of forfeitures used to reduce Participating Employer contributions for the year ended December 31, 2021.

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

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

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are reported at fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported 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. See Note 5 for discussion of fair value measurements.

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

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2021. Delinquent notes receivable are recorded as distributions on the basis of the terms of the Plan document.

Excess contributions payable

Amounts payable to participants for contributions in excess of amounts allowed by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) are recorded as a liability with a corresponding reduction to contributions. The Plan distributed the 2021 excess contributions to the applicable participants prior to March 15, 2022.

Benefit Payments

Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses

Reasonable expenses of the Plan, including, trustee, attorneys, advisors, fiduciaries, and service providers are paid by the Plan, unless otherwise paid by the PPP or the Participating Employers. Expenses that are paid by the PPP or the Participating Employers are excluded from these financial statements. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation in fair value of investments.

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Subsequent Events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through June 16, 2023, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 3 TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Upon termination or new entrance of a Participating Employer, funds may be transferred to or from other qualified plans. During the year ended December 31, 2021, transfers into the Plan from other qualified plans totaled \$33,800,733.

NOTE 4 CERTIFICATION OF INVESTMENT INFORMATION

Delaware Charter Guarantee and Trust Company dba: Principal Trust Company, the qualified institution of the Plan, has supplied the Plan administrator with a certification as to the completeness and accuracy of all investment information and notes receivable from participants reflected on the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021, the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2021.

NOTE 5 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value 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 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 other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

- 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; or
- 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.

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

NOTE 5 FAIR VALUE OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

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

Collective Investment Trusts: Investments in the collective investment trusts are valued using the NAV of units, as determined by the trustee using the published NAV of the underlying holding. NAV is a readily determinable fair value and is the basis for current transactions.

Pooled Separate Accounts: Investments in the pooled separate accounts are valued using the NAV of units, as determined by the insurance company using the published NAV of the underlying mutual fund holding. NAV is a readily determinable fair value and is the basis for current transactions.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual Funds	\$ 9,592,161	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,592,161
Collective Investment Trusts	24,239,282	-	-	24,239,282
Pooled Separate Accounts	2,962,245	-	-	2,962,245
Total Investments at Fair Value	<u>\$ 36,793,688</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 36,793,688</u>

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 6 GROUP ANNUITY CONTRACT WITH INSURANCE COMPANY

The Plan has a traditional fully benefit-responsive guaranteed investment contract with Principal Life Insurance Company (Insurance Company) which totaled \$3,284,439 at December 31, 2021. The Insurance Company maintains the contributions in a general account. The account is credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The guaranteed investment contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The crediting rate is reviewed on a quarterly basis for resetting. The guaranteed investment contract does not permit the Insurance Company to terminate the agreement prior to the scheduled maturity date.

This contract 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. Contract value, as reported to the Plan by the Insurance Company, represents contributions made under the contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses. Participants may ordinarily direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value.

The Plan's ability to receive amounts due is dependent on the issuer's ability to meet its financial obligations. The issuer's ability to meet its contractual obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

Certain events might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the issuer. Such events include: (1) amendments to the Plan documents (including complete or partial Plan termination or merger with another plan), (2) changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions, (3) bankruptcy of the Plan Sponsor or other Plan Sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan, (4) the failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA, or (5) premature termination of the contract. No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuers and that also would limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the participants.

The guaranteed investment contract does not permit the Insurance Company to terminate the agreement prior to the schedule maturity date.

In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contract with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. Such events include: (1) an uncured violation of the Plan's investment guidelines, (2) a breach of material obligation under the contract, (3) a material misrepresentation, and (4) a material amendment to the agreement without the consent of the issuer.

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 7 RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

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

NOTE 8 PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, PPP has the right under the Plan to discontinue contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, the participants would become 100% vested in their adopting employer's contributions.

NOTE 9 PLAN TAX STATUS

The Plan is placing reliance on an opinion letter from the IRS on the prototype plan indicating that the Plan is designed in accordance with the applicable section of the IRC. The Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter. However, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and, therefore, believes that the Plan is qualified, and the related trust is tax exempt.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability 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.

NOTE 10 PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan investments are managed by the qualified institution of the Plan; therefore, the investment transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. The plan issues notes to participants, which are secured by the balances in the participants accounts, which also qualify as party-in-interest transaction.

**PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2021**

NOTE 11 RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to Form 5500 as of December 31:

Net Assets Available for Benefits Per Financial Statements	\$ 42,635,114
Plus: Miscellaneous Income	224
Plus: Excess Contributions Payable	69,044
Net Assets Available for Benefits Per Form 5500	<u>\$ 42,704,382</u>

The following is a reconciliation of net income per the financial statements to Form 5500 for the year ended December 31, 2021:

Total Income Per Financial Statement	\$ 42,635,114
Plus: Miscellaneous Income	224
Plus: Excess Contributions Payable	69,044
Net Income Per Form 5500	<u>\$ 42,704,382</u>

NOTE 12 DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

During the year ended December 31, 2021 there were instances where Participating Employers failed to timely remit to the Plan of employee 401(k) deferral contributions and loan repayments for certain payroll periods within the timeframe prescribed by the Department of Labor. This is deemed a prohibited transaction in accordance with ERISA and the IRC. As of December 31, 2021, \$712,470 in participant contributions and loan repayments remain to be corrected by the Plan.

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YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021

Participant Contributions Transferred Late to Plan	Total that Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected under VFCP and PTE 2002-51
	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Correct Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction In VFCP	
Check here if Late Participant Loan Repayments are Included ☒ Yes	\$ 712,470	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

PRINCIPAL EASE 401(K) PLAN
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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i—SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
DECEMBER 31, 2021

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	Cost**	Current Value
	Collective Investment Trusts			
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid Income CIT Z		\$ 83,614
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2010 CIT Z		183,869
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2015 CIT Z		1,538,980
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2020 CIT Z		1,415,039
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2025 CIT Z		3,664,724
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2030 CIT Z		4,858,876
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2035 CIT Z		3,293,686
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2040 CIT Z		3,156,925
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2045 CIT Z		2,300,879
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2050 CIT Z		1,852,512
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2055 CIT Z		1,169,187
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2060 CIT Z		570,520
*	Principal Global Investors Trust Co	Principal Lifetime Hybrid 2065 CIT Z		150,471
		Total Collective Investment Trusts		24,239,282
	Registered Investment Companies			
	The American Funds	American Funds Europacific Growth R6 Fund		486,572
	The American Funds	American Fund Capital World Bond R6 Fund		609,732
	The American Funds	American Funds New World R6 Fund		447,790
	Dimensional Fund Advisors	DFA US Large Cap Value I Fund		1,438,501
	Dimensional Fund Advisors	DFA US Targeted Value I Fund		783,545
	Fidelity Investments	Fidelity Inflation-Protected Bond Index Fund		865,953
	Fidelity Investments	Fidelity Total International Index Fund		566,283
	Fidelity Investments	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund		667,393
	Fidelity Investments	Fidelity 500 Index Fund		2,171,059
	PGIM Investments	PGIM Total Return Bond R6 Fund		827,069
	T. Rowe Price Funds	T Rowe Price OM US SC GR EQ I		728,264
		Total Registered Investment Companies		9,592,161
	Pooled Separate Accounts			
*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Principal Global Real Estate Sec SA-Z		22,641
*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Principal Largecap Growth I SA-Z		1,226,808
*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Principal Midcap S&P 400 Index SA-Z		777,166
*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Principal Smallcap S&P 600 Index SA-Z		542,897
*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Principal Overseas Sep Acct-Z		392,733
		Total Pooled Separate Accounts		2,962,245
	Insurance Company General Account			
*	Principal Life Insurance Company	Principal Guaranteed Option		3,284,439
*	Participants	Participant Loans		
		Rates from 4.25% to 7.25%	-	475,021
		Total Assets Held		<u>\$ 40,553,148</u>

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