

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 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2022</u> and ending <u>12/31/2022</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>AMACO 401K 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>003</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/1986</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>35-0142930</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>317-683-1335</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">2d Business code (see instructions) <u>327100</u></td> </tr> </table>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>003</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/1986</u>		2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>35-0142930</u>		2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>317-683-1335</u>		2d Business code (see instructions) <u>327100</u>	
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2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>317-683-1335</u>											
2d Business code (see instructions) <u>327100</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>AMERICAN ART CLAY CO. INC.</u> <u>6060 GUION RD</u> <u>INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46254</u>											

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

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

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/13/2023	MARLENE D DONEY
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/16/2023	LESTER SANDOE III
	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 AMERICAN ART CLAY CO INC c Plan Name AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN	4b EIN 35-0142930 4d PN 003
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 170
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits..... d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)..... h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	 6a(1) 144 6a(2) 157 6b 0 6c 22 6d 179 6e 0 6f 179 6g 100 6h 4
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2E 2F 2G 2J 2K 2S 2T 3B 3D 3F 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) ☒ 2 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 2022 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2022 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 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2022 and ending 12/31/2022		
A Name of plan AMACO 401K PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	003
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AMERICAN ART CLAY CO. INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 35-0142930	

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 AMERICAN UNITED 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
35-0145825	60895	G51002	100	01/01/2022	12/31/2022

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

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

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

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

4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end.....	4	102403
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	7942399

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

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

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

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

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

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

b Balance at the end of the previous year **7b** 0

c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	1262	
	(2) Dividends and credits.....	7c(2)	0	
	(3) Interest credited during the year.....	7c(3)	51	
	(4) Transferred from separate account.....	7c(4)	0	
	(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	101110	
	▶ LOAN REPAYMENT TRANSFER FROM OUTSIDE SOURCE			

(6) Total additions..... **7c(6)** 102423

d Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**)..... **7d** 102423

e Deductions:

(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	0
(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....	7e(2)	20
(3) Transferred to separate account.....	7e(3)	0
(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	0

(5) Total deductions..... **7e(5)** 20

f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)..... **7f** 102403

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

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

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

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

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	9a(2)		
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve.....	9a(3)		
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....		9a(4)	0
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)		
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)		
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....		9b(3)	0
(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs.....	9c(1)(C)		
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)		
(G) Other retention charges.....	9c(1)(G)		
(H) Total retention.....		9c(1)(H)	0
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)		9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement.....		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).).....		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AMERICAN ART CLAY CO. INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 35-0142930	

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	434773	0	01/01/2022	12/31/2022

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

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

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Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information

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

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end..... **4** 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..... **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 ▶ FLEXIBLE INVESTMENT ANNUITY**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)** 0**d** Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**) **7d** 0**e** Deductions:(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year **7e(1)**
(2) Administration charge made by carrier..... **7e(2)**
(3) Transferred to separate account..... **7e(3)**
(4) Other (specify below) **7e(4)**(5) Total deductions..... **7e(5)** 0**f** Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**) **7f** 0

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information

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8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** ☐ Health (other than dental or vision)
 b ☐ Dental
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9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
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(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3)).....		9a(4)	0
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)		
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(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....		9b(3)	0
(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs.....	9c(1)(C)		
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)		
(G) Other retention charges.....	9c(1)(G)		
(H) Total retention.....		9c(1)(H)	0
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were ☐ paid in cash, or ☐ credited.)		9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement.....		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).).....		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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

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

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
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C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AMERICAN ART CLAY CO. INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 35-0142930	

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
AMERICAN UNITED LIFE INSURANCE CO
35-0145825

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
42-0127290

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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)

AMERICAN UNITED LIFE INSURANCE CO

35-0145825

(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?
15 37 38 50 64 66 67	NONE	75	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☐ No ☒	556	Yes ☐ No ☒

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

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

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

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

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
AMERICAN UNITED LIFE INSURANCE CO	66 67	556
(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.	
AMERICAN UNITED LIFE INSURANCE CO 35-0145825	ASSET CHARGE	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

a Name:	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:	
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Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration	DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2022 and ending 12/31/2022		
A Name of plan AMACO 401K PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	003
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AMERICAN ART CLAY CO. INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 35-0142930	

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: SEPARATE ACCOUNT II			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): AMERICAN UNITED LIFE INSURANCE CO			
c EIN-PN 35-0145825-000	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 7942399	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINCIPAL SMALLCAP SEP ACCT-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-029	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN MIDCAP SEP ACCT-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-020	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN CORE PLUS BOND SEP ACCT-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-005	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRIN EQUITY INCOME SA-Z			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY			
c EIN-PN 42-0127290-120	d Entity code P	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0	
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PRINCIPAL STABLE VALUE Z FUND			
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): PRINCIPAL GLOBAL INVESTORS TRUST CO			
c EIN-PN 93-6274328-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 199933	
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)	

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)

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)

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)

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)

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)

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)

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)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN

d Entity
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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):

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code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or
103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

c EIN-PN

d Entity
code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or
103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

Part II **Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs)**

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

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

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 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2022</u> and ending <u>12/31/2022</u>		
A Name of plan <u>AMACO 401K PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	<u>003</u>
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>AMERICAN ART CLAY CO. INC.</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>35-0142930</u>	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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 0 0
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):	
(1) Employer contributions.....	1b(1) 2200 7190
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2) 7907 5784
(3) Other.....	1b(3) 0 0
c General investments:	
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit).....	1c(1) 0 0
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2) 0 0
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):	
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A) 0 0
(B) All other	1c(3)(B) 0 0
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):	
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A) 0 0
(B) Common.....	1c(4)(B) 0 0
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5) 0 0
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6) 0 0
(7) Loans (other than to participants).....	1c(7) 0 0
(8) Participant loans.....	1c(8) 177259 141056
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....	1c(9) 250486 199933
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10) 1358029 0
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts.....	1c(11) 0 0
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12) 0 0
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	1c(13) 8460923 7942399
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14) 0 102403
(15) Other	1c(15) 0 0

1d Employer-related investments:

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)	0	0
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)	0	0
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	0	0
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	10256804	8398765

Liabilities

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

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	10256804	8398765
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income**a Contributions:**

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	146069	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	519245	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	0	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)	0	
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		665314

b Earnings on investments:**(1) Interest:**

(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)	0	
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	0	
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	0	
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	2863	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	51	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		2914

(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)	0	
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	0	
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	36559	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		36559

(3) Rents	2b(3)		0
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(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	0	
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)	0	
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		0

(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	0	
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	0	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		4559
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		0
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		0
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		0
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		-1733076
c Other income	2c		0
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		-1023730
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	792505	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	0	
(3) Other	2e(3)	0	
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		792505
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		0
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		32
h Interest expense	2h		0
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)	0	
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	40209	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)	1563	
(4) Other	2i(4)	0	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		41772
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		834309
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		-1858039
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		0
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		0

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: **DONOVAN P.C.**

(2) EIN: **35-1356555**

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		74595

	Yes	No	Amount
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)			
4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)			
4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)			
4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		1000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?			
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.)	X		
4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)			
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.)	X		
4m	X		
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	X		
4n	X		

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

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

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

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

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2022 and ending 12/31/2022		
A Name of plan AMACO 401K PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 003
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 AMERICAN ART CLAY CO. INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 35-0142930
Part I	Distributions	
All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.		
1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....		1 0
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 42-0127290 35-0145825		
Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year.....		3
Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)	
4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.		
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.		
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived).....		6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year.....		6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount).....		6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.		
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A		
Part III	Amendments	
9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box..... ☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No		
Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.	
10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?..... ☐ Yes ☐ No		
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.		
Schedule R (Form 5500) 2022 v. 220413		

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

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

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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

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

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

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

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 _____

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Together with Independent Auditors' Report

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022



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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Plan Administrator
American Art Clay Co., Inc. Defined Contribution Plan

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of American Art Clay Co., Inc. Defined Contribution Plan (the "Plan"), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) ("ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit"). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2022, 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 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 regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided 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 obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2022 and 2021 and for the year ended December 31, 2022, stating the certified investment information, as described in Note 8 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, 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 accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- the information in the accompanying financial statements 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 management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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Basis for Qualified Opinion

The Plan's financial statements do not include a receivable balance and related footnote disclosures pertaining to an eligibility issue impacting the year ended December 31, 2022. Plan Management is working with advisors to investigate the cause, financial impact, and remedy for the identified issue. The quantitative and qualitative impacts of this issue are unknown as of the date of this report. In our opinion, recording and disclosing the impact of this matter is required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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 the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified 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 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, which raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are 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 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 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, 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 appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, which raise substantial doubt about the 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 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements but are 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 which is 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 their form and content, are 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 which is agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are 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).

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "DONOVAN", with a stylized, cursive-like script.

Indianapolis, Indiana
October 13, 2023

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
December 31, 2022 and 2021

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
ASSETS		
Investments:		
Mutual funds, at fair value	\$ 7,942,399	\$ 8,460,923
Pooled separate accounts, at fair value	-	1,358,029
Common collective trust, at contract value	199,933	250,486
Investment contract with insurance company, at contract value	<u>102,403</u>	<u>-</u>
<i>Total investments</i>	<u>8,244,735</u>	<u>10,069,438</u>
Receivables:		
Employee	5,784	7,907
Employer	7,190	2,200
Notes receivable from participants	<u>141,056</u>	<u>177,259</u>
<i>Total receivables</i>	<u>154,030</u>	<u>187,366</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u><u>\$ 8,398,765</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 10,256,804</u></u>

See independent auditors' report and accompanying notes to the financial statements

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS

Investment income:

Interest and dividend income	\$ 36,559
Interest on notes receivable from participants	<u>2,914</u>
<i>Total investment income</i>	<u>39,473</u>

Contributions:

Employee	519,245
Employer	<u>146,069</u>
<i>Total contributions</i>	<u>665,314</u>
<i>Total additions to net assets</i>	<u>704,787</u>

DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS

Net depreciation in fair value of investments	1,728,517
Benefits paid to participants	792,505
Plan administrative expenses	41,772
Deemed distributions of defaulted notes receivable from participants	<u>32</u>
<i>Total deductions from net assets</i>	<u>2,562,826</u>

NET DECREASE	(1,858,039)
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Beginning of year	<u>10,256,804</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$ 8,398,765</u></u>

See independent auditors' report and accompanying notes to the financial statements

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of American Art Clay Co., Inc. Defined Contribution Plan (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan instrument for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General – The Plan is a defined contribution plan established on January 1, 1986 for non-union employees of American Art Clay Co., Inc. (the "Company"). Effective January 1, 2011, the Plan was amended to allow all employees, except for part-time employees, to participate. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA").

Contributions – Participants may contribute up to the annual maximum contribution limitation established within the Internal Revenue Code. The Company may make a discretionary matching contribution. During 2022, a discretionary contribution was made for 50% of the amount contributed by each participant limited to the first 5% of compensation. Plan participants direct the investment of their contributions and the employee matching contributions into the various investment options offered by the Plan.

Participant Accounts – Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions and an allocation of the Company's contributions and Plan earnings and is charged with any withdrawals. Allocations are based on participant earnings, contributions, or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting – Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Participants vest in employer matching contributions in accordance with the vesting schedule defined in the Plan agreement. For administrative employees, a participant is 100% vested at the end of the six years of service and for bargaining unit employees, a participant is fully vested at the end of five years. Effective December 2022, the Plan's vesting is over five years for bargaining and non-bargaining employees. Participants are immediately vested in the event of retirement, permanent disability, or death.

Notes Receivable from Participants – Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum of \$50,000 or 50 percent of their vested balances, whichever is less. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the Plan administrator. Principal and interest are paid through payroll deductions.

Investment Options – Participants are able to direct the vested balances of their accounts to any of a number of investment options comprised of mutual funds and common collective trusts with Principal Life Insurance Company, Delaware Charter Guarantee and Trust Company d/b/a Principal Trust Company, and American United Life Insurance Company, the Custodians of the Plan. Participants may change their investment options at any time, subject to limitations.

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN, Continued

Payment of Benefits – On termination of service due to death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant’s vested interest in his or her account, or an annuity. Additionally, in-service and hardship withdrawals are permitted.

Forfeited Accounts – Forfeitures of employer matching contributions are available to pay administrative expenses or to reduce future employer contributions. No forfeited nonvested accounts existed at December 31, 2022 and 2021. During the year ended December 31, 2022, forfeitures of \$4,137 were used to offset employer contributions.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting and Use of Estimates – The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”), which requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions affecting certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition – The Plan’s investments are reported at fair value except for the common collective trusts, which are reported at contract value. Fair value is the price which would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

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 depreciation in fair value of investments 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 reported at their unpaid principal balances plus any accrued but unpaid interest. There are no allowances for credit losses, as repayments of principal and interest are received through payroll deductions and the notes are collateralized by the participants’ account balances.

Payment of Benefits – Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses – Certain costs incurred in the administration of the Plan have been paid by the Company. Investment management fees and operating expenses charged to the Plan for investments in mutual funds are deducted from income earned on a daily basis and are not separately reflected. Consequently, management fees and operating expenses are reflected as a reduction of investment return for such investments.

Subsequent Events – Subsequent events have been evaluated by management through October 13, 2023, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
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For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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

Level 1: Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

- Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;
- Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;
- Inputs other than quoted prices observable for the asset or liability;
- Inputs derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

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

The asset's or liability's fair measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input 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 methodology used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Mutual Funds – The fair values of mutual fund investments are determined by obtaining quoted prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges (Level 1 inputs).

The method described above may produce a fair value calculation which may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 3 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS, Continued

Investments measured at fair value on a recurring basis are summarized below:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
December 31, 2022				
Mutual funds	\$ <u>7,942,399</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>7,942,399</u>
December 31, 2021				
Mutual funds	\$ 8,460,923	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,460,923
Pooled separate accounts*	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,358,029</u>
<i>Total</i>	\$ <u>8,460,923</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>9,818,952</u>

*Investments measured at fair value using net asset value per share (or its equivalent) as a practical expedient have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in the hierarchy tables for such investments are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the investments at fair value line item presented in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

NOTE 4 - COMMON COLLECTIVE TRUST

The fair values of participation units in the stable value collective trust are based upon the net asset value of such fund as reported in the audited financial statements of the fund. The fund invests in a variety of high-quality stable value investment contracts, with a minimum weighted average credit quality rating of A or better, as well as cash and cash equivalents. The primary objective is to provide preservation of capital, relative stable returns consistent with its comparatively low risk profile, and liquidity for benefit-responsive payments. Withdrawals from the fund for benefit payments and participant transfer to noncompeting options to be paid to Plan participants shall be made within 30 days after written notification has been received and are considered as made immediately after the next valuation date subsequent to the fund's trustee approval. Withdrawals, other than for benefit payments and participant transfers to noncompeting options, are made the year after notification is received from the participating plan. The trustee of the fund, however, reserves the right to grant a withdrawal earlier than that mentioned above if there are sufficient cash assets to satisfy the withdrawal and it is not detrimental to the best interest of the fund.

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
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For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

NOTE 5 - INVESTMENT CONTRACT WITH INSURANCE COMPANY

The Plan has an investment contract with American United Life Insurance Company. For each contract, American United Life Insurance Company maintains the contributions allocated to participant accounts according to allocation instructions. Guaranteed rates are the guaranteed annual effective rates of interest on a daily basis to the stable value account. No guaranteed rates may be less than an annual effective interest rate of 0%. All income, gains, or losses, realized or unrealized, from assets held in any investment account are credited to or charged against the applicable investment account. Certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contract with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value.

NOTE 6 - TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service has determined, as indicated in a letter dated August 8, 2014, the Plan and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the determination letter, the plan administrator believes the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code.

U.S. GAAP requires management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain tax position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits in progress for any tax periods.

NOTE 7 - PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan, subject to the provisions of ERISA and its related regulations. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100% vested in employer contributions and earnings thereon.

NOTE 8 - CERTIFIED INFORMATION

Principal Life Insurance Company, Delaware Charter Guarantee and Trust Company d/b/a Principal Trust Company, and American United Life Insurance Company hold investment assets and execute investment transactions therein. Substantially all information pertaining to investments and notes receivable from participants, including the associated investment income and interest earned on notes receivable from participants, included in the financial statements has been certified by these entities.

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN
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NOTE 9 - PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Parties-in-interest are defined under Department of Labor regulations as any fiduciary of the Plan, any party rendering service to the Plan, the employer, and certain others. At December 31, 2022, the Plan held investments in a mutual fund offered by a service provider and a common collective trust fund offered by an affiliate of the service provider. At December 31, 2021, the Plan held investments in a mutual fund and a pooled separate account offered by a service provider and a stable value fund held by an affiliate of the service provider. These qualify as party-in-interest transactions. The Plan holds notes receivable from participants totaling \$141,056 and \$177,259 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. These qualify as party-in-interest transactions. The Plan paid administrative and investment management fees to a service provider, which qualify as party-in-interest transactions totaling \$41,772 during the year ended December 31, 2022.

NOTE 10 - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan holds various investments. Investments are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, liquidity, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investments and the sensitivity of certain fair value estimates to changes in valuation assumptions, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the fair value of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

EIN: 35-0142930 PLAN NUMBER: 003

SCHEDULE H, LINE 4a - SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022

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 Corrected Outside VFCP	Contributions Pending Correction in VFCP	
\$ 74,595	\$ 74,595	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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AMERICAN ART CLAY CO., INC. DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

December 31, 2022

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	<u>Mutual Funds</u>			
	American Funds	High Income Fund	**	\$ 26,903
	American Funds	Bond Fund of America	**	526,252
	American Funds	New World Fund	**	40,613
	American Funds	New Perspective Fund	**	161,288
	Delaware	Small Cap Core Fund	**	111,775
	JP Morgan	Large Cap Growth Fund	**	536,900
*	Principal	Real Estate Fund	**	612,118
	Vanguard Group	Mid Cap Index Adm Fund	**	533,303
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement Inc. Inv Fund	**	12,735
	Vanguard Group	Equity Income Admiral Fund	**	243,865
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2020 Inv Fund	**	829,033
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2025 Inv Fund	**	984,011
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2030 Inv Fund	**	900,026
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2035 Inv Fund	**	638,472
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2040 Inv Fund	**	126,371
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2045 Inv Fund	**	168,985
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2050 Inv Fund	**	167,705
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2055 Inv Fund	**	56,053
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2060 Inv Fund	**	253,092
	Vanguard Group	Target Retirement 2065 Inv Fund	**	23,559
	Vanguard Group	Vanguard 500 Index Admiral Fund	**	895,121
	Vanguard Group	TTL Intl Stk Idx Admiral Fund	**	94,219
				7,942,399
	<u>Common Collective Trust</u>			
*	Principal Global Investors Company	Principal Stable Value Fund	**	199,933
	<u>Investment Contract with Insurance Company</u>			
	American United Life Insurance Company	AUL Stable Value Fund	**	102,403
	<u>Participant Loans</u>			
*	Notes receivable from participants	Varying maturity dates; interest rates of 2%		141,056
	<i>Total</i>			\$ 8,385,791

* Investment represents a party-in-interest, but not a prohibited transaction.

** Cost has been omitted for participant-directed investments.

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Schedule H, Line 4i
Schedule of Assets (Held At End of Year)

Name of Plan:	AMACO 401K PLAN		
Employer Identification Number:	35-0142930		
For plan year (beginning/ending):	01-01-2022 TO 12-31-2022	Plan number:	003

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	AMERICAN FUNDS	AMERFDS AMERICAN HIGH-INC R6 MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	26,903
	AMERICAN FUNDS	AMERFDS BOND FD OF AMERICA R6 MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	526,252
	AMERICAN FUNDS	AMERFDS NEW PERSPECTIVE R6 MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	161,288
	AMERICAN FUNDS	AMERFDS NEW WORLD R6 MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	40,613
*	AMERICAN UNITED LIFE INS CO	AUL STABLE VALUE ACCOUNT	0	102,403
	DELAWARE	DELAWARE SMALL CAP CORE R6 MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	111,775
	JPMORGAN	JPMORGAN LARGE CAP GROWTH R6 MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	536,900
*	PARTICIPANTS	LOANS 2% TO 2%	0	141,056
	PRINCIPAL	PRINCIPAL REAL ESTATE SEC R6 MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	612,118
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD 500 INDEX ADM MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	895,121
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD EQUITY-INCOME ADM MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	243,865
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD MID CAP INDEX ADM MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	533,303
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TOTAL INT STK IDX ADM MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	94,219
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2055 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	56,053
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2020 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	829,033
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2025 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	984,011
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2030 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	900,026
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2035 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	638,472
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2040 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	126,371
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2045 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	168,985
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2050 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	167,705
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2060 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	253,092
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE INC INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	12,735
	VANGUARD	VANGUARD TRGT RETIRE 2065 INV MUTUAL FUND SHARES	0	23,559