

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 07/01/2022 and ending 06/30/2023	
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 MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
1c	Effective date of plan 07/01/2013
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, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) MENDEZ & CO., INC. P.O. BOX 363348 SAN JUAN, PR 00936-3348 ROAD #20, KM 2.4 GUAYNABO, PR 00969
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 66-0177198
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 787-793-8888
2d	Business code (see instructions) 424800

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.	04/15/2024	PABLO J. ALVAREZ
	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

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		5 582
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) 478
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year		6a(2) 493
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits		6b 13
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits.....		6c 113
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c		6d 619
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.		6e 0
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e		6f 619
g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item).....		6g 571
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....		6h 18
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 2T 3C		
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) ☐ 0 A (Insurance Information) (4) ☒ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☒ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)	

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

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

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

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

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 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 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
		2022
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning 07/01/2022 and ending 06/30/2023

A Name of plan MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MENDEZ & CO., INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 66-0177198

Part I

Service Provider Information (see instructions)

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.

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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	
BENEFIT PLANS ADMIN SERVICES, INC.	6 RHOADS DRIVE SUITE 7 UTICA, NY 13502
16-1503696	

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation	
DELAWARE SERVICE COMPANY	2005 MARKET STREET PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

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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)

FINANXIAL, CORP.

66-0591759

(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?
21 25 26 63 52	N/A	91478	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

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

BENEFIT PLANS ADMIN SERVICES

16-1503696

(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 19 64 60	N/A	90257	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☒ No ☐

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

BPAS TRUST COMPANY OF PUERTO RICO

66-0795542

(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?
25	N/A	27189	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

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

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

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

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

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

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

Explanation:

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

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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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A Name of plan MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	002
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MENDEZ & CO., INC.		
D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 66-0177198		

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: HB&T BLACKROCK LARGE EQU IND		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): HAND BENEFITS & TRUST COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 74-1977743-202	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 186869
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: HB&T BLACKROCK MC EQU IND		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): HAND BENEFITS & TRUST COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 74-1977743-198	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 48718
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: HB&T BLACKROCK SC EQU IND		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): HAND BENEFITS & TRUST COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 74-1977743-201	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 20129
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: HB&T BLACKROCK US AGG BOND INDEX		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): HAND BENEFITS & TRUST COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 74-1977743-197	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 121566
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: HB&T BLACKROCK MSCI ACWI EXUS		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): HAND BENEFITS & TRUST		
c EIN-PN 74-1977743-200	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 21721
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: WESTERN ASSET CR PL BD CIF		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): BENEFITS & TRUST COMPANY		
c EIN-PN 74-1977743-113	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 106180
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: PUERTO RICO CAPITAL PRESERVATION		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): BPAS TRUST CO OF PUERTO RICO		
c EIN-PN 66-0929359-001	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 1339007

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: CLEARBRIDGE LARGE CAP GR CIF R2

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): CLEARBRIDGE INVESTMENTS, LLC

c EIN-PN 01-0846058-183	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 0
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: NEUBERGER BERMAN SMALL CAP GROWTH

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): WILMINGTON TRUST, N.A.

c EIN-PN 38-4139860-637	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 49451
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: AB US LG CAP GROWTH CIT P2

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

c EIN-PN 38-4116831-509	d Entity code C	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) 159443
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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

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

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

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

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

c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
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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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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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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 07/01/2022 and ending 06/30/2023		
A Name of plan MELENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MELENDEZ & CO., INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 66-0177198	

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	
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions.....		1b(1)	013125
(2) Participant contributions.....		1b(2)	037283
(3) Other.....		1b(3)	
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit).....		1c(1)	00
(2) U.S. Government securities		1c(2)	
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred		1c(3)(A)	
(B) All other		1c(3)(B)	
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred		1c(4)(A)	
(B) Common.....		1c(4)(B)	
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests		1c(5)	
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)		1c(6)	
(7) Loans (other than to participants).....		1c(7)	
(8) Participant loans.....		1c(8)	
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts.....		1c(9)	16647782053085
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts		1c(10)	
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts.....		1c(11)	
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities		1c(12)	
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....		1c(13)	1636973716767116
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....		1c(14)	00
(15) Other		1c(15)	

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	18034515	18870609

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	18034515	18870609
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

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

Income

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	372552	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	1035797	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	149096	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		1557445
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		0
(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)	455068	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		455068
(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)		105196
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		832800
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		2950509
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	1905491	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		1905491
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	190885	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)	18039	
(4) Other	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4)	2i(5)		208924
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		2114415
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		836094
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

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

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

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

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

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

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

(1) Name: JOSE E. ROSARIO & CO., CPA, PSC

(2) EIN: 66-0687714

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)

	Yes	No	Amount
4a		X	

	Yes	No	Amount
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)			
4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)			
4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)			
4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		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.)			
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 2022 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
For calendar plan year 2022 or fiscal plan year beginning 07/01/2022 and ending 06/30/2023		
A Name of plan MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN		B Three-digit plan number (PN) 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MENDEZ & CO., INC.		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 66-0177198
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): 66-0795542		
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

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
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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 _____

**MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023 AND 2022**



MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
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José E. Rosario & Co., CPA, P.S.C.
Certified Public Accountants & Consultants

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To The Audit Committee of Mendez & Co., Inc. Retirement Plan

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

We have performed an audit of the financial statements of Mendez & Co, Inc. Retirement 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 June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the 2023 and 2022 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 years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, and for the year ended June 30, 2023 stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note C 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 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 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 Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Mendez & Co, Inc. Retirement 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 Mendez & Co, Inc. Retirement Plan's ability to continue as a going concern as of June 30, 2023 and for the year after the date of 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.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit 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 auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but it's not absolute assurance and therefore it's 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.



Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (Cont'd)

- 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 Mendez & Co, Inc. Retirement 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 Mendez & Co, Inc. Retirement 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 audits.

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of Assets Held at End of Year as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, 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 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 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 that 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.



Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA (Cont'd)

- 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, with the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

April 12, 2024
San Juan, Puerto Rico



José E. Rosario & Co., CPA, P.S.C.
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License No. 176
Expires December 1, 2024

MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

<u>Assets</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Investments, at fair value	\$ 18,820,201	\$ 18,034,515
Receivables:		
Participants contributions	37,283	-
Employer contributions	13,125	-
Total receivables	<u>50,408</u>	<u>-</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 18,870,609</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 18,034,515</u></u>
 Net assets available for benefits	 <u><u>\$ 18,870,609</u></u>	 <u><u>\$ 18,034,515</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.



MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Additions:		
Additions to net asset attributed to:		
Investment income:		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 926,271	\$ (3,224,945)
Realized gain on sale of investments	11,726	-
Dividend income	455,067	501,169
Contributions:		
Participants	1,035,796	1,021,030
Rollovers	149,096	11,973,796
Employer	372,552	350,803
Total additions	<u>2,950,508</u>	<u>10,621,853</u>
 Deductions:		
Deduction from net assets attributed to:		
Benefits paid to participants	1,905,491	1,642,715
Assets charges and fees	208,923	196,511
Total deductions	<u>2,114,414</u>	<u>1,839,226</u>
 Net increase	836,094	8,782,627
 Net assets available for benefits:		
Beginning of year	<u>18,034,515</u>	<u>9,251,888</u>
 End of year	<u>\$ 18,870,609</u>	<u>\$ 18,034,515</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.



MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023 AND 2022

A. Description of Plan

The following description of the Mendez & Co., Inc. Retirement Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all regular full-time employees of Mendez & Co., Inc. who have three (3) months of service and are age 21 or older and can't be a member of a labor union. The employer adopted a Master Prototype Defined Contribution Cash or Deferred Arrangement Profit Sharing Plan (CODA type plan). The Plan's formation was effective on July 1, 2013. It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). The participants' entry date to the Plan is monthly. The assets of the Plan are valued daily. Normal retirement age is 65 years old. Early retirement will not be permitted under the Plan.

Contributions

Elective contributions would be permitted subject to the limitations provided in the Puerto Rico Internal Revenue Code. Participants will be permitted to change their election to make elective contributions on a quarterly basis (01/01, 4/01, 7/01, 10/1). The employer directed investments would be permitted with respect to all employer and employee contributions account. Catch-up contributions would be permitted. Catch-up contributions are additional elective contributions allowed to participants who are age 50 or older and are allowed only after the participant has contributed up to the elective deferral ceiling.

Each year participants may contribute up to \$16,500 of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan. Participant's pre-tax contributions may not be less than 1%. Participants may also contribute, at the discretion of the administrator, distributions from other plans. Voluntary contributions will be permitted. Employer contributions will not be made with respect to voluntary contributions. Compensation will exclude bonuses and overtime.

The employer will make matching of pre-tax contributions equal to:

Years of Services	Employer Matching
0-5	.22¢ per each \$1.00 up to 3% compensation
More than 5 up to 10	.33¢ per each \$1.00 up to 3% compensation
More than 10 up to 15	.43¢ per each \$1.00 up to 3% compensation
More than 15 up to 20	.87¢ per each \$1.00 up to 3% compensation
More than 20 up to 25	\$1.08 per each \$1.00 up to 3% compensation
More than 25 up to 30	\$1.30 per each \$1.00 up to 3% compensation
More than 30	\$1.40 per each \$1.00 up to 3% compensation

All employer and employee contributions are invested by BPAS Trust Company of Puerto Rico, Inc. Participants may direct the investment of their contributions into thirty-five (35) mutual funds actually offered by the Plan. Contributions are subject to certain limitations.



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A. Description of Plan (Cont'd)

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of (a) the organization contributions and, (b) plan earnings, and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant's earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company's discretionary contribution portion of their account plus actual earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after completing three (3) years of credited services.

Payments of benefits

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either: (a) a lump-sum payment equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account (b) the purchase of a different form of annuity, (c) installments over a period of not more than his or her assumed life expectancy determined at the time of distribution. Regardless of the form of payment elected, its value will be the same. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump-sum distribution.

Forfeited Accounts

The plan forfeitures will be reallocated as additional profit-sharing contributions. On June 30, 2023 and 2022 there were no forfeited non-vested accounts.

Hardship Withdrawals

Hardship withdrawals from the Plan will be permitted, subject to the Plan's rule; for the purchase (excluding mortgage payments) of a principal residence for the participant; for major medical expenses of the participant, spouse, children or a dependent, which are not covered by insurance; payment of tuition for post-secondary education for the participant, spouse children or dependent; and payment of amounts necessary to prevent the eviction of the participant's principal residence.

Basis of Accounting

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

The Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits presents the fair value of the investments contracts as well as the adjustments of the fully benefit responsive investment contracts from fair value to contract value. The Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits is prepared on a contract value basis for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts.



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B. Summary of Accounting Policies

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the plan administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair 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 F 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 includes the plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid. Distribution payments during the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 totaled \$1,905,491 and \$1,642,715, respectively.

Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid directly from participants' assets accounts unless ordered by the employer. Fees related to the administration of participants accounts are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments.

C. Certified Financial Data

The following is a summary of the Plan's financial information and data included in the Plan's financial statements and supplemental schedules which were certified by Hand Benefits and Trust (a BPAS Company) as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 and for the years then ended as complete and accurate, in accordance with Section 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974.



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C. Certified Financial Data (Cont'd)

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Investments	\$ 18,820,201	\$ 18,034,515
Net (depreciation) appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 926,271	\$ (3,224,945)

D. Fair Value Measurements

FASB ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the input 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 measurement) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described below:

Level 1	Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical, unrestricted assets or liabilities.
Level 2	Quoted prices in markets that are not considered to be active or financial instruments for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.
Level 3	Prices or valuations that require inputs that are both significant to the fair value measurement and unobservable.

The assets or liabilities fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to their value measurement. Valuation techniques used to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at June 30, 2023 and 2022:

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

Collective investment trusts: Valued at quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, credit risk, etc. that are determined for an asset based on independent market data.

A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The following table sets forth by level within that fair value hierarchy the Plan investment assets at fair value, as of June 30, 2023 and 2022. As required by FASB ASC 820, assets are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.



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D. Fair Value Measurements (Cont'd)

The fair value of fund shares of an underlying fund equals the number of shares of the respective underlying fund multiplied by the closing net assets value per share quoted by that fund.

	Investment Assets at Fair Value as of June 30, 2023			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	\$ 16,767,116	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,767,116
Collective investment trusts	-	2,053,085	-	2,053,085
Total assets at fair value	\$ 16,767,116	\$ 2,053,085	\$ -	\$ 18,820,201

	Investment Assets at Fair Value as of June 30, 2022			
	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
Mutual funds	\$ 16,369,737	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16,369,737
Collective investment trusts	-	1,664,778	-	1,664,778
Total assets at fair value	\$ 16,369,737	\$ 1,664,778	\$ -	\$ 18,034,515

E. 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. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in their accounts.

F. Tax Status

The Plan is qualified under Section 1081.01 (d) of Internal Revenue Code for a New Puerto Rico of 2011, and therefore the trust is exempt from taxation. In the normal course of business, the Plan is potentially subject to income tax audits in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico for its taxable years 2020 to 2023, until the applicable statute of limitations expire. Tax audits by their nature are often complex and can require several years to complete.

In general, contributions to a qualified plan are deductible by the Sponsor when made since earnings of the trust are tax exempt. Participants are not taxed on their benefits until withdrawn from the plan.

Management has evaluated the Plan's tax positions and concluded that the Plan has maintained its tax-exempt status and has taken no uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements. Therefore, no provision or liability for income taxes has been included in the accompanying financial statements. Management is unaware of any variations in the operation of the Plan from the terms of the Plan documents.

G. Risk and Uncertainties



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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 investment securities 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.

H. Party-In-Interest Investments and Transactions

The Plan administrator, the trustee and the investment manager receive an administrative fee for the services performed under the Plan Agreement associated with Plan recordkeeping, accounting, consulting, and trustee services. Total administrative fees paid by the Sponsor during the year ended June 30, 2023 and 2022 totaling \$50 and \$50, respectively.

There were no prohibited party-in-interest investments or transactions during the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022.

I. Eligible Distributions By Puerto Rico Treasury Department

On October 2022, the Sponsor for the Plan authorized withdrawals/distributions of up to \$10,000 for all participants in active employment, as well as to allow for up to the first \$100,000 of total lump-sum distributions to cover eligible expenses incurred due to the recent legislation under the Puerto Rico Internal Revenue Code ("PR Code") Section 1081.01 (b)(1)(D) and Circular Letter of Internal Revenue No. 22-13 issued on September 27, 2022 by the Secretary of the Puerto Rico Treasury Department, respectively, effective as of September 2022 for distributions made until December 31, 2022, as this may be amended, extended or superseded.

J. Subsequent Events

The Plan did not have any subsequent events through April 12, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued for events requiring recording or disclosure in the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2023.



**MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES
JUNE 30, 2023 AND 2022**



MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
EIN/PN 66-0177198/002
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i-SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
JUNE 30, 2023

a) Party-in-interest	b) Identify of Issue	Description of Investments (No. of Units)	d) Cost	e) Current Value
	AB US LG Cap Growth CIT P2	9,434.51	**	159,443
	American Funds AM Balanced R6	905.11	**	27,624
	American Funds Europacific R6	2,343.24	**	128,480
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret K	332,783.99	**	4,269,619
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2025 K	235,311.09	**	3,400,246
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2030 K	25,943.14	**	399,276
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2035 K	275,168.94	**	4,589,818
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2040 K	52,726.53	**	933,260
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2045 K	76,909.03	**	1,445,122
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2050 K	9,648.30	**	187,273
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2055 K	17,460.59	**	348,513
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2060 K	6,113.58	**	108,883
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2065 K	1,730.61	**	21,667
	Delaware IVY Mid Cap Growth I	2,095.28	**	66,525
	Delaware Small Cap Value I	489.54	**	34,204
	Dfa Real Estate Securities I	4,070.35	**	152,312
	HB&T Blackrock LC Equi Ind	10,678.23	**	186,869
	HB&T Blackrock MC Equi Ind	3,250.04	**	48,718
	HB&T Blackrock SC Equi Ind	1,567.69	**	20,129
	HB&T Blackrock US AGG BD Ind	11,655.39	**	121,566
	HB&T Blackrock MSCI ACWI Exus Ind	1,704.91	**	21,720
	Invesco OPP Developing Mkt R6	3,255.69	**	126,321
	NB SmallCap Growth TR	6,397.33	**	49,451
	Pgim Gbl Total Return Q	7,256.75	**	36,937
	PR Capital Preservation	127,403.14	**	1,339,007
	T. Rowe Price Infl Prot Bond	5,219.59	**	56,425
	Vanguard Equity Income Admiral	3,679.53	**	309,780
	Victory Sycamore Est Val R6	2,699.69	**	124,833
	Western Asset CR PL BD CIF R2	6,191.28	**	106,180
	Total			\$ 18,820,201

** Cost omitted for participant directed investments



MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN
EIN/PN 66-0177198/002
SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i-SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
JUNE 30, 2022

a) Party-in-interest	b) Identify of Issue	Description of Investments (No. of Units)	d) Cost	e) Current Value
	American Funds AM Balanced R6	2,621.24	**	74,915
	American Funds Europacific R6	2,662.47	**	128,384
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret K	337,587.68	**	4,229,974
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2025 K	276,208.78	**	3,855,874
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2030 K	25,841.80	**	378,065
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2035 K	266,157.68	**	4,122,783
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2040 K	40,071.13	**	646,748
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2045 K	80,791.47	**	1,358,913
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2050 K	8,793.42	**	151,511
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2055 K	16,278.68	**	287,319
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2060 K	4,914.94	**	77,312
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx 2065 K	3,068.95	**	33,881
	Clearbridge Lg Cap GR CIF R2	6,475.97	**	124,533
	Delaware IVY Mid Cap Growth I	1,792.83	**	50,934
	Delaware Small Cap Value I	519.54	**	35,106
	Dfa Real Estate Securities I	4,467.80	**	186,532
	HB&T Blackrock LC Equi Ind	6,880.00	**	100,728
	HB&T Blackrock MC Equi Ind	2,300.26	**	29,351
	HB&T Blackrock SC Equi Ind	1,415.60	**	16,124
	HB&T Blackrock US AGG BD Ind	11,628.46	**	122,448
	HB&T Blackrock MSCI ACWI Exus Ind	325.79	**	3,681
	Invesco OPP Developing Mkt R6	4,051.02	**	142,312
	NB SmallCap Growth TR	6,822.90	**	46,805
	Pgim Gbl Total Return Q	9,135.83	**	47,506
	PR Capital Preservation	107,980.78	**	1,106,803
	T. Rowe Price Infl Prot Bond	10,736.58	**	128,732
	Vanguard Equity Income Admiral	3,460.31	**	291,773
	Victory Sycamore Est Val R6	3,211.18	**	141,163
	Western Asset CR PL BD CIF R2	6,645.67	**	114,305
	Total			\$ 18,034,515

** Cost omitted for participant directed investments



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

Name of Plan:

► MENDEZ & CO., INC. RETIREMENT PLAN

Employer Identification Number:► 66-0177198

For plan year (beginning/ending):► 07/01/2022 to 06/30/2023

Plan number:►

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(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
	AB US LG Cap Growth CIT P2	Common Collective Trust		159,443
	American Funds AM Balanaced R6	Mutual Fund		27,624
	American Funds Europacific R6	Mutual Fund		128,480
	Blackrock Lifepath Index Ret	Mutual Fund		4,269,619
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2025	Mutual Fund		3,400,245
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2030	Mutual Fund		399,276
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2035	Mutual Fund		4,589,818
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2040	Mutual Fund		933,260
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2045	Mutual Fund		1,445,121
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2050	Mutual Fund		187,274
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2055	Mutual Fund		348,513
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2060	Mutual Fund		108,883
	Blackrock Lifepath Indx Ret 2065	Mutual Fund		21,667
	Clearbridge Large Cap GR CIF R2	Common Collective Trust		-
	Delaware Ivy Mid Cap Growth I	Mutual Fund		66,525
	Delaware Small Cap Value	Mutual Fund		34,204
	DFA Real Estate Securities	Mutual Fund		152,312
	HB&T Blackrock Large Equ Ind	Common Collective Trust		186,869
	HB&T Blackrock MC Equ Ind	Common Collective Trust		48,718
	HB&T Blackrock SC Equ Ind	Common Collective Trust		20,129
	HB&T Blackrock US Agg Bd Ind	Common Collective Trust		121,566
	HB&T Blackrock MSCI ACWI EXUS	Common Collective Trust		21,721
	Invesco Opp Dev'l Mkts	Mutual Fund		126,321
	NB Small Cap Growth Tr Fndrs	Common Collective Trust		49,451
	PGIM Global Total Return	Mutual Fund		36,937
	PR Capital Preservation R1	Common Collective Trust		1,339,007
	T Rowe Price Infl Prot Bond	Mutual Fund		56,424
	Vanguard Equity Income Admiral	Mutual Fund		309,780
	Victory Sycamore Est Val R6	Mutual Fund		124,833
	Western Asset CR PL BD CIF	Common Collective Trust		106,180