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.**

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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.)
- [X] 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
- [X] 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
VANTAGE ASSOCIATES, INC. ESOP

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

1c Effective date of plan
07/01/2000

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)
VANTAGE ASSOCIATES INC.

12333 LOS NIETOS RD
SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
94-2696494

2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number
619-477-6940

2d Business code (see instructions)
326100

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.	05/08/2024	MARY NORMAND
	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 [X] 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:	**4b** EIN	
a	Sponsor's name		
c	Plan Name	**4d** PN	
5	Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	**5**	140
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)**	48
a(2)	Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	**6a(2)**	42
b	Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	**6b**	25
c	Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	**6c**	67
d	Subtotal. Add lines **6a(2)**, **6b**, and **6c**	**6d**	134
e	Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	**6e**	0
f	Total. Add lines **6d** and **6e**	**6f**	134
g	Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	**6g**	134
h	Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	**6h**	1
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:

2I 2P 2Q 3I

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)	**9b** Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) [ ] Insurance	**(1)** [ ] Insurance
(2) [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	**(2)** [ ] Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) [X] Trust	**(3)** [X] Trust
(4) [ ] General assets of the sponsor	**(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	**b General Schedules**
(1) [X] **R** (Retirement Plan Information)	**(1)** [X] **H** (Financial Information)
(2) [ ] **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	**(2)** [ ] **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
	(3) [ ] **A** (Insurance Information)
	(4) [ ] **C** (Service Provider Information)
(3) [ ] **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	**(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 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
VANTAGE ASSOCIATES, INC. ESOP

B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002

C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500
VANTAGE ASSOCIATES INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
94-2696494

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)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)	3677	3647
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	**(b)** End of Year
1d Employer-related investments:			
(1) Employer securities	**1d(1)**	12617000	12542000
(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**	12620677	12545647
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	**1g**		
h Operating payables	**1h**		
i Acquisition indebtedness	**1i**	1116310	904529
j Other liabilities	**1j**		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through1j)	**1k**	1116310	904529
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	**1l**	11504367	11641118

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)**	241252	
(B) Participants	**2a(1)(B)**		
(C) Others (including rollovers)	**2a(1)(C)**		
(2) Noncash contributions	**2a(2)**		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines **2a(1)(A), (B), (C),** and line **2a(2)**	**2a(3)**		241252
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	**2b(1)(A)**		
(B) U.S. Government securities	**2b(1)(B)**		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	**2b(1)(C)**		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	**2b(1)(D)**		
(E) Participant loans	**2b(1)(E)**		
(F) Other	**2b(1)(F)**		
(G) Total interest. Add lines **2b(1)(A)** through **(F)**	**2b(1)(G)**		
(2) Dividends: **(A)** Preferred stock	**2b(2)(A)**		
(B) Common stock	**2b(2)(B)**		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	**2b(2)(C)**		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines **2b(2)(A)**, **(B)**, and **(C)**	**2b(2)(D)**		
(3) Rents	**2b(3)**		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: **(A)** Aggregate proceeds	**2b(4)(A)**		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	**2b(4)(B)**		
(C) Subtract line **2b(4)(B)** from line **2b(4)(A)** and enter result	**2b(4)(C)**		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: **(A)** Real estate	**2b(5)(A)**		
(B) Other	**2b(5)(B)**	582109	
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines **2b(5)(A)** and **(B)**	**2b(5)(C)**		582109

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all **income** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		823361
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	657109	
(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)		657109
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		29471
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Investment advisory and management fees	2i(3)		
(4) Other	2i(4)	30	
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines **2i(1)** through **(4)**	2i(5)		30
j Total expenses. Add all **expense** amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		686610
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line **2j** from line **2d**	2k		136751
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) [X] 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)** [X] 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: ROORDA, PIQUET & BESSEE, INC. **(2)** EIN: 33-0252865

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:		Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)	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?	**4e**	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?	**4f**		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	**4g**		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?	**4h**		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	**4i**	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)	**4j**		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?	**4k**		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?	**4l**		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)	**4m**		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.	**4n**			

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

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

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

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined
If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year ____________.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	**Retirement Plan Information** This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**	OMB No. 1210-0110 **2022** **This Form is Open to Public Inspection.**

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VANTAGE ASSOCIATES INC.

D Employer Identification Number (EIN)
94-2696494

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** 657109

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): 33-6134835 ______________

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

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

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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

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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____

VANTAGE ASSOCIATES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the trustee and plan administrator of the
Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which comprise the statements 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 year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of June 30, 2023 and 2022, and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the year ended June 30, 2023, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. 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 Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our 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.

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 Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards 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 generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership 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 Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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.

Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental schedule of Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at end of Year) as of June 30, 2023 is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion, the information in the accompanying schedule is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole, and the form and content are presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

Roorda, Piquet & Bessee, Inc.

Roorda, Piquet & Bessee, Inc.
Riverside, California
May 8, 2024

VANTAGE ASSOCIATES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

	June 30, 2023			**June 30, 2022**		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Assets:						
Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock, at fair value (Notes 3 and 4)	$ 9,789,818	$ 2,752,182	$ 12,542,000	$ 9,336,443	$ 3,280,557	$ 12,617,000
Cash	3,647	-	3,647	3,678	-	3,678
Total assets	9,793,465	2,752,182	12,545,647	9,340,121	3,280,557	12,620,678
Liabilities:						
Note payable (Note 5)	-	904,529	904,529	-	1,116,310	1,116,310
Total liabilities	-	904,529	904,529	-	1,116,310	1,116,310
Net assets available for benefits	$ 9,793,465	$ 1,847,653	$ 11,641,118	$ 9,340,121	$ 2,164,247	$ 11,504,368

See accompanying notes and independent auditors' report

VANTAGE ASSOCIATES, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

	For the year ended June 30, 2023		
	Allocated	Unallocated	Total
Additions to net assets:			
Employer contributions	$ -	$ 241,252	$ 241,252
Net appreciation in the fair vale of investments	422,438	159,670	582,108
Allocation of 74,690 shares of common stock of Vantage Associates, Inc., at estimated fair value	688,045	-	688,045
Total additions	1,110,483	400,922	1,511,405
Deductions from net assets:			
Interest expense	-	29,471	29,471
Benefits paid to participants	657,109	-	657,109
Administrative expenses	30	-	30
Allocation of 74,690 shares of common stock of Vantage Associates, Inc., at estimated fair value	-	688,045	688,045
Total deductions	657,139	717,516	1,374,655
Net increase (decrease)	453,344	(316,594)	136,750
Net assets available for benefits			
Beginning of year	9,340,121	2,164,247	11,504,368
End of year	$ 9,793,465	$ 1,847,653	$11,641,118

NOTE 1 - PLAN DESCRIPTION AND BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The following description of the Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

Effective April 24, 2024, an individual unrelated to the Company, purchased all of the outstanding capital stock of Vantage Associates, Inc. from the Plan. During the Plan year ending June 30, 2024, the Plan's independent trustee and administrative committee will initiate the planning process for terminating the ESOP, including completing the application process with the IRS for approval of the Plan termination and distributing all assets to the participants. This process will extend into future years until the complete distribution or transfer of assets has occurred.

As of the effective date of the sale, the Plan will cease to be a stock bonus plan under Section 401(a) of the IRS Code and is no longer an employee stock ownership plan under Section 4975(e)(7) of the Code Section 407(d)(6) of ERISA, but will continue as a profit sharing plan under Section 401(a) of the Code until all funds have been distributed, transferred or paid out of the trust. The Plan will no longer hold any shares of Company Stock and all distributions under the Plan will be paid in cash.

Effective April 24, 2024, new employees are restricted from entering the Plan, no further Company contributions will be made to the Plan, and all participant account balances became fully vested. All plan benefits will be distributed in accordance with the termination provisions of the plan.

General Information

Vantage Associates, Inc. (the Company or Sponsor) established the Plan effective July 1, 2000. The Plan is intended to operate as a leveraged employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) and is designed to comply with Section 4975(e)(7) and the regulations thereunder of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (IRC) and is subject to the applicable provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended.

The Plan purchased shares of Company common stock using borrowed proceeds secured by the purchased shares, and holds the common stock in a trust established under the Plan. As the Plan makes debt payments, an appropriate percentage of stock is allocated to eligible employees' accounts in accordance with applicable regulation under the IRC.

The borrowing is collateralized by the unallocated shares of Company common stock. The lender has no rights against shares of Company common stock once they are allocated to participants in accordance with the terms of the ESOP. Accordingly, the financial statements present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to (a) the accounts of employees with rights in allocated Company common stock (allocated) and (b) Company common stock not yet allocated to employees (unallocated).

Eligibility

Employees who have attained at least 21 years of age, have completed 12 consecutive months of service, with at least 1,000 hours and are employed on the last day of the plan year will become a participant in the Plan as of the first day of the Plan year in which the eligibility requirements are satisfied.

Employer Contributions

The Company is obligated to make contributions in cash or dividends to the Plan in the amount necessary to enable the Plan to make its regularly scheduled payments of principal and interest due on its term loan. The Company may also make additional discretionary cash and common stock contributions to the Plan in an amount determined by the Company's Board of Directors.

Allocations

Contributions for each plan year are allocated to eligible participants that: (a) have worked at least 1,000 hours for the Plan Year and are employed by the Company on the last day of the Plan Year; or (b) have terminated employment during the Plan Year on account of death, permanent disability, or after reaching the normal retirement date (“DDR”). Each participant will receive a portion of the total contribution in the same ratio to the contribution as their eligible compensation for the plan year bears to the total eligible compensation of all participants who are eligible in receiving the contribution.

Payment of Benefits

Distribution of Plan benefits due to participants for termination of employment including retirement, disability, and death will be made in shares of Company common stock (see Put Option below) through lump sum or annual installment payments. Distributions of Plan benefits for reasons other than retirement, disability or death may be paid after a six year waiting period. Annual installments are paid over no more than five years, unless the participants vested account balance exceeds the amount as defined under the IRC, in which case installments could exceed five years. All vested account balances not exceeding $5,000 may be distributed in a lump-sum payment.

As of June 30, 2023, participants who terminated employment have 543,277 vested shares valued at $5,006,945. These amounts are scheduled to be paid commencing June 30, 2024 through June 30, 2029, with an estimated minimum gross distribution amount due to terminated participants of $690,192 for the year ended June 30 2024.

Administrative Expenses

As provided in the Plan Agreement, administrative expenses may be paid either by the Plan or by the Company. Expenses paid by the Company are excluded from these financial statements. Expenses paid by the Plan were allocated among the accounts of all participants in the Plan and are included in administrative expenses for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Participant Accounts

The Plan is a defined contribution plan under which a separate individual account is established for each participant. Each participant's account is credited as of the last day of each Plan year with an allocation of shares of the Company's common stock released by the Trustee from the unallocated account and forfeitures of terminated participants' non-vested accounts. Plan earnings are allocated to each participant's account based on the ratio of the participant's beginning of the year account balance after first reducing account balances for distributions.

Voting Rights

Participants may direct the voting of shares of the Company common stock allocated to their accounts on any matter on which shareholders are allowed to vote. Such matters are limited to the approval or disapproval of any corporate merger or consolidation, recapitalization, reclassification, liquidation, dissolution, sale of substantially all assets of a trade or business, or other similar transactions. Each participant will be provided with notification of the shareholders meeting and the proxy voting instruction form, which will need to be returned to the trustee prior to said meeting. The trustee will vote all shares according to those instructions. The trustee will vote all shares for which no instruction was received, as well as any unallocated shares, as it determines proper in its sole and absolute discretion.

Vesting

Vesting in the Company's contributions is based on years of service as follows:

Years of Credited Service	Vesting Percentage
Less than 2 years	0%
2 years, but less than 3	20%
3 years, but less than 4	40%
4 years, but less than 5	60%
5 years or more	100%

Put Option

Under federal income tax regulations, the Company common stock held by the Plan and its participants, and that are not readily tradable on an established market, or that are subject to trading limitations, include a put option (liquidity put). The liquidity put is a right to demand that the Company buy shares of its common stock held by the participant for which there is no market. The put price is representative of the fair market value of the common stock. The Company may pay for the purchase with interest not exceeding a period of five years. The purpose of the liquidity put is to ensure that the participant has the ability to ultimately obtain cash. In addition, if the Company elects to pay the purchase price of the common stock option under the installment method, then the Company shall give the participant who is exercising the put option the Company's promissory note for the full unpaid balance of the purchase price.

Diversification

Diversification will be offered to participants close to retirement so that they may have the opportunity to move part of the value of their investment in Company stock into investments which are more diversified. Participants who are at least 55 years of age with at least 10 years of participation in the Plan may elect to diversify a portion of their account. Diversification is offered to each eligible participant over a six year period. In each of the first five years, a participant may diversify up to 25% of his or her account balance, less any amounts previously diversified. In the sixth year, the percentage changes to 50%. As of June 30, 2023, 8,435 shares of Company common stock with a value of $65,304 were eligible for diversification for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Forfeited Accounts

Plan forfeitures are allocated to each participant's account based upon the relation of the participant's eligible compensation to total eligible compensation for the Plan year. During the year ended June 30, 2023, there were $30,360 in forfeitures allocated to participants. There were no forfeited non-vested accounts to be allocated to participant accounts in future years as of June 30, 2023.

Right of First Refusal

The right of first refusal shall provide that prior to any subsequent transfer, the shares must first be offered for purchase in writing to the Company and to the trustee, on behalf of the Plan, at the fair market value. The fair market value for these shares of Company common stock shall be the greater of the price offered to the participant by the prospective purchaser or the price per the most recent preceding valuation date of the Plan. The Company and the trustee have 14 days to exercise this right of first refusal.

NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

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

Estimates

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

Allocations

The financial statements of the Plan present separately the assets and liabilities and changes therein pertaining to (a) the accounts of employees with rights in allocated stock (“allocated”) and (b) stock not yet allocated to employees (“unallocated”), including shares that are committed to be released. Shares are released from collateral and become allocated generally in the period in which debt service is actually paid.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated 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. Shares of Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock are valued at estimated fair value. The fair value of Vantage Associates common stock as of June 30, 2023 and 2022 was determined by annual independent appraisals. See Note 4 for a discussion of fair value.

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

Subsequent Events

Effective April 24, 2024, as a result of a stock purchase agreement with an individual unrelated to the Company, the Board of Directors approved the termination of the Vantage Associates, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan.

Management has evaluated subsequent events through May 8, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and concluded that there were no other events that require disclosure in the financial statements as of June 30, 2023.

NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS

Following is a summary of the fair value of investments:

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Investments at fair value as determined by independent appraisal:		
Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock	$ 12,542,000	$ 12,617,000

The Plan's investment in Vantage Associates, Inc. common shares is as follows:

	June 30, 2023		June 30, 2022	
	Allocated	Unallocated	Allocated	Unallocated
Number of shares	1,062,729	298,762	1,062,843	373,452
Cost	$ 1,875,503	$ 527,255	$ 1,875,704	$ 659,068
Fair market value	$ 9,789,818	$ 2,752,182	$ 9,336,443	$ 3,280,557

NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, establishes a framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820-10 are described as follows:

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

Level 2 — Inputs to the valuation methodology include: (1) quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, (2) quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets, (3) inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability, (4) inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

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

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

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

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

	Assets at Fair Value as of June 30, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock	$ -	$ -	$ 12,542,000	$ 12,542,000
Total assets at fair value	$ -	$ -	$ 12,542,000	$ 12,542,000

	Assets at Fair Value as of June 30, 2022			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock	$ -	$ -	$ 12,617,000	$ 12,617,000
Total assets at fair value	$ -	$ -	$ 12,617,000	$ 12,617,000

Changes in Fair Value of Level 3 Assets

The Plan distributed 74,804 shares of common stock value at $657,109 held within the Plan's level 3 assets for the year ended June 30, 2023.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value.

The Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock held by the Plan is reported at fair value based upon an appraisal. For the years ended June 30, 2023 and 2022, the appraisals are based upon the valuation techniques as illustrated in the following table. Each valuation technique derived an enterprise value which was then considered with certain assets and outstanding liabilities of the Company including an estimated fair value of property and land, reduced by a discount for lack of marketability.

Instrument	Fair Value	Principal Valuation Technique	Unobservable Inputs
Fair Value as of June 30, 2023:			
Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock	$ 12,542,000	Asset Approach	Company assets and liabilities reported on the June 30, 2023 financial statements considering certain valuation adjustments to ending values.
Fair Value as of June 30, 2022:			
Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock	$ 12,617,000	Asset Approach	Company assets and liabilities reported on the June 30, 2022 financial statements considering certain valuation adjustments to ending values.
		Comparable Acquisition	Adjusted EBIDTA Acquisition multiples Enterprise value range

The valuation process involves the selection of an appraiser. Plan management accumulates the data for the appraiser from historical and projected financial information of the Company. The appraiser prepares a report of estimated per share value that a participant will receive upon distribution. The trustee and plan management review the annual appraisal report. The trustee provides the final approval of the annual share value.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation 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.

NOTE 5 - LOAN PAYABLE

In June 2012, the Plan entered into a $2,956,277 term loan agreement with the Company. The proceeds of the loan were used to purchase Company common stock. The loan bears interest at a fixed rate of 2.64%. On June 29, 2012, the Plan made a $500,000 prepayment amount that was applied to scheduled payments through June 30, 2014 and a portion of the June 30, 2015 payment. On July 8, 2015, the Plan made a $202,334 payment of principal and interest on the loan. Beginning on June 30, 2016, the loan requires annual principal and interest payments of $241,251 through June 30, 2027. Unallocated shares are collateral for the loan. Shares are released from collateral and allocated to participants as payments of principal and interest are made. The number of shares released in any year is the number of shares held as collateral, times the ratio of the current year payments divided by the total of this year's payments, plus all future years' principal and interest payments. The Plan may prepay the loan with the consent of the Company. Prepayments of principal may reduce the future years' minimum required payments. The fair value of the loan payable as of June 30, 2023 approximates the remaining principal amount of $904,529.

Future maturities of the loan payable are as follows:

June 30,		
2024	$	217,372
2025		223,111
2026		229,001
2027		235,045
	$	904,529

NOTE 6 - TAX STATUS

The Company received a favorable determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), on July 2, 2015, which stated that the Plan, as then designed, was in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. The Plan has since been amended and restated. The plan administrator believes the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability if the Plan has taken an uncertain tax position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The plan administrator has analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan, and has concluded that as of June 30, 2022, there are no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken that would require recognition of a liability or disclosure in the financial statements. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE 7 - PLAN TERMINATION

Effective April 24, 2024, by action of the board of directors upon the execution of a stock purchase agreement and a change of ownership, the Company terminated the Plan and is in the process of filing an application with the IRS for approval. Upon such termination of the Plan, the interest of each participant in the trust will be distributed to such participant or his or her beneficiary at the time prescribed by the plan termination rules through the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). As of April 24, 2024, plan participants became fully vested in accrued benefits of the Plan. Plan assets will ultimately be distributed to the Plan participants in accordance with Plan provisions.

As described in Note 1, effective April 24, 2024, all of the issued and outstanding common stock of the Company was sold to an individual unrelated to the Company. Through an escrow account, on April 25, 2024, the purchase consideration, plus or minus post-close adjustments, was paid directly to the Employee Stock Ownership Trust.

NOTE 8 - ADMINISTRATION OF PLAN ASSETS

The Plan's assets, which consist principally of Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock, are held by the Employee Stock Ownership Trust.

Company contributions are managed by the Trustee which invests cash received, interest and dividend income, and makes distributions to participants. The Trustee also administers the payment of interest and principal on the loan, which is reimbursed to the Trustee through contributions as determined by the Company.

Certain administrative functions are performed by officers of the Company. No such officer receives compensation from the Plan.

NOTE 9 - RELATED PARTIES AND PARTIES-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The Plan allows for transactions with certain parties who may perform services or have fiduciary responsibilities to the Plan. The Plan holds an investment in Vantage Associates, Inc. common stock. The Company paid certain administrative expenses of the Plan. These transactions qualify as party in interest transactions for which a statutory exception exemption exists.

NOTE 10 - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan investments consist primarily of the Company's common stock, which is exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks, as well as valuation assumptions based on earnings, cash flows and other such techniques. Due to the level of risk associated with the investments in the common stock and to uncertainties inherent in estimates and assumptions, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the value of the common stock will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

VANTAGE ASSOCIATES, INC. **EIN: 94-2696494**
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN **PLAN: 002**
JUNE 30, 2023

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

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	Description of Investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par or maturity value	Cost	Current Value
*	Vantage Associates, Inc.	1,361,491 Shares Common Stock	$ 2,402,758	$12,542,000
	Fidelity Investments	Interest Bearing Cash	3,647	3,647
		TOTAL	$ 2,406,405	$12,545,647

* Denotes Party-In-Interest

Federal Statements
Vantage Associates, Inc. ESOP
Plan: 002

Assets Held for Investment

Party in Interest	Identity	Description	Cost	Current Value
X	Vantage Associates	Common Stock	$ 3,310,475	$ 12,542,000
	Pacific Premier Bank	Cash	3,647	3,647